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President Katzir stoops to comfort a relative of victim of Kiryat Shmona butchery when he visited the town yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

After Israeli air raids
Syrian jets in first attacks since the war

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Fighting on the Golan entered a new phase yesterday when Syrian planes attacked three Israeli positions—two in the bulge and on the Hermon peak. This was the first time since the end of the October war and since clashes in the area escalated over a month ago, that the Syrians have used their air force operationally.

One Israeli soldier was slightly wounded in the attack. The Syrians bombed their targets from relatively high up, after making a lightning dash from the cease-fire line to their targets, some four kilometres inside Israeli-held territory, and then turning sharply back to base. Israeli planes sent to intercept the intruders returned without having established contact.

The Syrian air attack came 35 minutes after the Israel Air Force had spent five hours bombarding Syrian artillery and mortar positions, tank concentrations and earth-moving equipment on the northern slopes of the Hermon. The Army Spokesman said all planes returned safely to base.

During the entire five hours Israeli planes were unhindered — apart from an occasional missile salvo — and they apparently caused heavy damage. New road-building machines brought to the area by the Syrians to complete the last 300-metre stretch to their Hermon position were destroyed, as were many of the tanks and other military equipment advancing along the trail from the plain below.

It is not known who piloted the Syrian planes. At the moment there are North Korean pilots integrated in the Syrian air force. None of these, however, are known to have taken an active part in the conflict up to now.

Fourteen Syrian fighters — Mig 17s and Mig 21s — penetrated the cease-fire line simultaneously at 5.05 p.m. in three formations and dashed towards the three separate targets. Six attacked the Hermon peak, while eight others — in two formations of four each — attacked two Israeli positions in the bulge at Tel Mari — a few hundred metres from the cease-fire lines — and the Ma'atz junction, both in the central sector of the bulge.

The Syrian planes arrived half-an-hour after the last Israeli formation left the area.

They managed to return to the safety of their bases before they could be engaged by the Israel Air Force. It was not known whether Israeli ground air defences were put into operation, but it is thought that apart from having to contend with locally operated light machine-guns the Syrian fighters encountered no opposition.

The Syrian's decision to use their air force may constitute a premeditated decision by the Syrian leadership — who have to sanction the use of planes — to escalate the fighting in the region beyond the confines of the current daily artillery and tank clashes which have continued over the past month killing 10 Israeli soldiers and injuring 50 more.

The Israelis first sent planes into the area nearly three weeks ago after the Syrians repeatedly attempted to establish a presence on the unmanned Hermon peak, which was registered as Israeli territory after the October war — the attacks aimed primarily at preventing the Syrians from building a road up to their position four kilometres away and 200 metres below, on which they were moving artillery and tanks into position for an all-out attack on the peak.

It is believed, however, that the well-coordinated attack may have been a one-time action, aimed both at scoring an immediate limited military success and also at proving to both Israel and the Syrian forces in the north who have been subjected to heavy bombing from the Israel Air Force for the past three weeks, that Israel does not possess a unilateral advantage.

On the ground yesterday, artillery clashes between the two sides continued most of the day with a short respite in the mid-afternoon. One Israeli soldier was slightly wounded in the southern sector of the bulge.

Throughout yesterday long-range Israeli guns replied, hitting both artillery concentrations and anti-aircraft, missile batteries some 15 kms. from the cease-fire lines. One spotter in the central region reported that a bus carrying Syrian troops east of Tel Farris was hit and was seen to burst into flames.

During the night the Syrians fired three volleys on the Hermon peak, causing no damage. The peak did not come under artillery fire yesterday.

4,000 Egyptian tank men said in Syria

ZURICH (JTA). — The "Neue Zuericher Zeitung" reported yesterday that 4,000 Egyptians have arrived in Syria to relieve the shortage of tank crews and are now serving with the Syrian army.

This may explain why the Syrians have of late ceased to attack Egypt for its disengagement agreement with Israel, it was added.

There was no confirmation of the report as yet from other sources.

Attempt to draw planes into missile network

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Syria's use of planes yesterday for the first time since the October war appeared to be an attempt to lure Israeli pilots across the cease-fire line where the Syrians have been consolidating their anti-aircraft missiles. The Syrians were reported to have recently strengthened their defence with a dense network of missile batteries supplied by the Soviet Union. Most of these were of the Sam-6 type.

The Syrians yesterday indicated they made desperate use of missiles against Israeli jets as they carried out raids against Syrian positions undisturbed.

A Syrian communique yesterday said that the Israeli planes ran into the intensive fire of the Syrian "air defence system" — the usual reference to Sam missiles.

Meanwhile, Egyptian War Minister Field Marshal Ahmed Ismail Aly yesterday said his country would fight alongside Syria if the Golan front situation entered a critical phase. He was also quoted by "Al-Ahram" that "if the need arises, we can return to the eastern bank of the Suez Canal despite the fact that we have thinned out our forces there" under the disengagement accord with Israel.

Ismail Aly's remarks contrasted with a report in Beirut's "Al-Hawadeth" weekly which yesterday quoted Egyptian President Sadat as telling a group of Lebanese leaders that he was in no position to resume fighting in view of Moscow's failure to supply Cairo with new weapons to replace those lost in the October war.

At a joint meeting of the Egyptian parliament and the Central Committee of the Arab Socialist Union, Sadat said yesterday that the Soviets have been hesitating "for the past six months to respond to some of our arms requests." He added accordingly, he had ordered his armed forces "to look for other arms sources and this has already been implemented," he said.

Sadat said that there was a "misunderstanding" between him and the Kremlin, which might be irritated by Cairo's new amity with Washington. He called for a summit meeting between him and the Kremlin leaders, asserting he still sought the Soviet friendship.

'EARCH FOR 'BALANCED' 'ESOLUTION

ED NATIONS. — The Secu- ouncil met yesterday to re- debate on the Lebanese com- against Israel for the rep- aid that followed the Kiryat a massacre.

entative draft resolution de- both Israel's attack on Le- on Friday night and the ter- attack which preceded it was ted privately yesterday, ac- to informed sources. They represented "the maximum ble position" of the U.S., has always insisted that the adopt "balanced" resolu- when dealing with Israeli re- for terrorist attacks.

sources said that Lebanese Minister Fouad Naffah confer in Washington today S. Secretary of State Henry er. It was thought that the might be able to complete sideration of Lebanon's com- later in the day.

h Ambassador Ivor Richard rench Ambassador Louis de aud are reported to have sub- to Lebanese Ambassador what was described as a g paper" for a resolution ble to the U.S. France was have favoured a stronger

Council began its debate on and suspended discussions sday night for consultations at drafting a resolution or nt of consensus. (Reuter, JTA)

Mapai makes fresh appeal to Sapir

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Mapai group in the Labour Party Leadership Bureau and Knesset faction last night urged Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir to accept the party's nomination for the premiership. Mr. Sapir has so far rejected all approaches from his Mapai colleagues to try to set up a government.

The group was convened hurriedly last night after Mapai keymen had complained to party headquarters that whereas the Rafi and the Ahdut Ha'avoda factions have already met to choose their candidates, Mapai has not done so.

One of the main reasons for convening the group last night was the hope that a concerted appeal might budge Mr. Sapir from his adamant refusal to be a candidate. His supporters hope that even if Mr. Sapir refuses to stand, he will openly indicate his choice for premiership. So far he has followed Mrs. Meir's example of not naming anyone.

It emerged yesterday that some influential sections in the Labour Party may try at Sunday's Central Committee meeting to upset the decision of the Leadership Bureau and Knesset faction to attempt to form a new government without holding elections.

One argument for leaving the present coalition in power until new elections at the end of the year is that it would enable Mrs. Meir and her team to complete negotiations on disengagement on the Syrian front and the second stage of the Geneva talks.

What happens at Sunday's Central Committee meeting may well depend on what Mrs. Meir or Mr. Sapir say, as any intervention on their part could sway the meeting.

Meanwhile some significance has been attached to Mrs. Meir's convening of the Cabinet committee on conversion yesterday. A number of party observers wondered whether this indicated an attempt on Mrs. Meir's part to achieve a *modus vivendi* on this delicate issue, and they speculated that this hardly indicated that she intended to abandon her duties as Premier lightly.

Ahdut Ha'avoda had combined with Rafi in urging new elections, but thus failed to get the motion adopted despite Mr. Sapir's support. The Mapai majority outvoted Mr. Sapir's proposals that elections should be held after the Agranat Commission issues its final report. The Finance Minister was thought to reflect Mrs. Meir's thinking in this matter. He is also quoted as being in favour of leaving Mrs. Meir's Cabinet in office until elections are held.

Labour Party sources reported last night that Haifa Mayor Yosef Almogi has been active in canvassing support inside Mapai for a motion to call for new elections before choosing a successor to Mrs. Meir. It is considered likely that Mr. Almogi's proposal will be supported by the Young Leadership group of the party, the Youth Division, as well as members of the two smaller party factions, Ahdut Ha'avoda and Rafi.

Mapai sources, commenting on this initiative last night, predicted that Mr. Almogi would not muster a sufficient majority to alter the previous decision. However, it is possible that the 614 Central Committee members may have to be called together again for the vote on the premiership — probably on Tuesday — if Sunday's meeting is devoted largely to the elections issue.

With Mayor Almogi refusing to stand, the other known candidates are Justice Minister Haim Zadok, Foreign Minister Abba Eban, Labour Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Information Minister Shimon Peres.

Red Cross envoy sees Israel pilots in Beirut

GENEVA (Reuter). — The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) said yesterday that one of its delegates on Wednesday visited two Israeli pilots held in Lebanon.

"They were not wounded and we believe they were in good health," a Red Cross spokesman commented. He added that the two men were detained in Beirut but he was unable to give the exact location or the identities of the pilots.

The two Israelis were captured on April 8 after their Phantom jet caught fire.

NO VENGEANCE, KATZIR WARNS

Jerusalem Post Staff

KIRYAT SHMONA. — President Ephraim Katzir yesterday met with community leaders and residents of this development town, still shocked and bitter in the wake of last week's massacre. While complimenting them on their courage and steadfastness, he cautioned them against seeking indiscriminate vengeance, particularly against the country's loyal Druse community.

The President said he had come to Kiryat Shmona on the Holocaust Memorial Day, "a day devoted to the memory of the millions of our brethren who were slaughtered like sheep," to express his solidarity and that of all Israel with the courageous residents of the town.

Recalling the tragic loss of his own brother in the Lod Airport massacre two years ago, President Katzir said he could understand the feelings of the bereaved families and the town's residents in general — "despair, the desire for vengeance and dissatisfaction with the Government.

"But after a few days of deep thought, I came to the conclusion that we, as individuals and as a nation, have no choice but to strengthen ourselves militarily, economically and socially, and in this way fulfil the wishes of those that are no longer with us," the President said.

He said he would see to it that all the promises and assurances given to the town are carried out without delay.

Turning to the recent outbreaks of violence against Druse and Arabs in the town, the President noted that "while vengeance may well be called for, this should be directed against those who are bent on murdering women and children, and not against innocent passers-by — certainly not against the Druse mi-

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13 hurt in Bnei Brak

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BNEI BRAK. — Twelve Arabs and one Jew were injured here yesterday morning when an unidentified assailant threw an Israel type hand grenade at a crowd of workers. They were mainly Arab labourers from Israel and the administered territories, gathered at the corners of Hashomer and Jabotinsky streets in the Pardes Katz quarter. All 13 have already been released from the hospital.

The spot where the incident occurred is where Arab labourers gather here every morning for work.

The acting spokesman of the Tel Aviv police, Sgan-Nitzav Yigael Marcus, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that the police closed off the area a short time after the incident and took 160 Arabs who were in the vicinity into protective custody and questioning. Twenty of them were released by yesterday afternoon. He believed the majority of them would be released during the night.

Questioned about the possibility that it could have been an Israeli who threw the grenade, Marcus said this was extremely unlikely.

Abu Rodeis oil fire extinguished

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ODEIS. — The Abu Ro- 'shore oil well fire, touched days ago by a truant Israel e anti-aircraft Hawk missile, uffed out by an expertly charge of high explosives at yesterday.

ican experts, who were sum- here after all attempts to e the fire by Netivei Neft's own had failed, lowered a 75-kilo ge contained in a pipe. The rts were confident enough of success to invite the compa- managing director, Meir Giron, uch off the charge himself. The e of the explosion caused a giant pool of oil and sea water and n this subsided the flames, al- t a landmark here since the be- ning of the year, were gone.

e three wells affected have been ing since January 1, when an li Hawk missile, fired at a opter over the Gulf of Suez, entally hit one of the rigs. Oil rts have estimated that the fire either burned or prevented the pumping of some 3,500 cu.m. of oil a day — at current world prices a loss of IL1m. every 24 hours, for a total of over IL100m.

The charge in the sealed pipe was placed in the burning well about three metres above sea-level. It was then detonated from the deck of a boat moored some distance from the well.

Mr. Giron said that, given two or three days of calm seas, the offshore wells will be reconnected and back in operation once again.

Loss of income does not include about $1.5m. spent in extinguishing equipment, a special raft and the unspecified sum paid to the American team.

The three wells were located on a single platform offshore. One of the three fires went out on its own accord. The U.S. experts, who started their operations exactly eight days ago, first attempted to control the flames and then went ahead with the final phase.

NIXON UNEXPECTEDLY HOLDS MEETING WITH EGYPTIAN F.M.

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — President Nixon yesterday unexpectedly conferred for one hour with Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy on the Middle East situation and the fighting between Israeli and Syrian forces on the Golan Heights.

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger joined Nixon and Fahmy for the discussion.

Fahmy met with Kissinger last Friday and again on Saturday after Kissinger had conferred with a visiting Syrian delegation which offered some proposals for disengagement.

White House spokesman Gerald Warren said the meeting dealt with all developments in the Middle East as part of diplomacy aimed at finding a peaceful settlement in the area.

Asked whether Nixon was urging against Egyptian involvement in the new fighting, Warren declined a direct response, but said, "We of course are concerned about any degree of violence which might affect efforts for disengagement" of Israeli-Syrian troops.

The spokesman said Nixon still hoped to visit the Middle East at an undetermined time but did not know if he had discussed that with Fahmy.

Asked if the U.S. would consider an Egyptian request for arms, he said, he could only report that the entire Middle East situation was discussed by the President and the Egyptian Foreign Minister.

Our correspondent in Washington, Wolf Blitzer, cables:

Dr. Kissinger will probably begin his next Middle East diplomatic mission with an April 26 visit to Geneva to discuss an Israeli-Syrian military disengagement agreement with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, according to reliable diplomatic sources.

This Gromyko-Kissinger meeting is seen here as part of an informal agreement which Kissinger made with the Soviets during his last visit to Moscow to increase Soviet participation in Middle East negotiations. The Soviets had been irked by Kissinger's successful one-man diplomatic performance in achieving an Egyptian front disengagement agreement, and are anxious to preclude a similar diplomatic coup on the Syrian front. This, the Soviets fear, would further enhance American prestige in the Arab world to the detriment of Moscow.

Kissinger is reported to believe that the Soviets, who have significant influence in Damascus, can disrupt his diplomatic effort if they so desire and, therefore, the Secretary wants at least afford to the Soviets the opportunity to appear to be more involved in the negotiations than they were in the Egyptian front talks.

But, according to the sources, Kissinger did not surrender substantial responsibility to Moscow.

The Soviets had wanted to move the disengagement talks from Washington to Geneva, where they act as co-chairman of the Middle East peace conference along with the Americans, but Kissinger insisted that Washington was a more suitable location for the indirect talks — which saw Defence Minister Moshe Dayan and Syrian special envoy Hikmat Shehabi present their proposals for a separation of forces accord.

From Geneva, where Kissinger is

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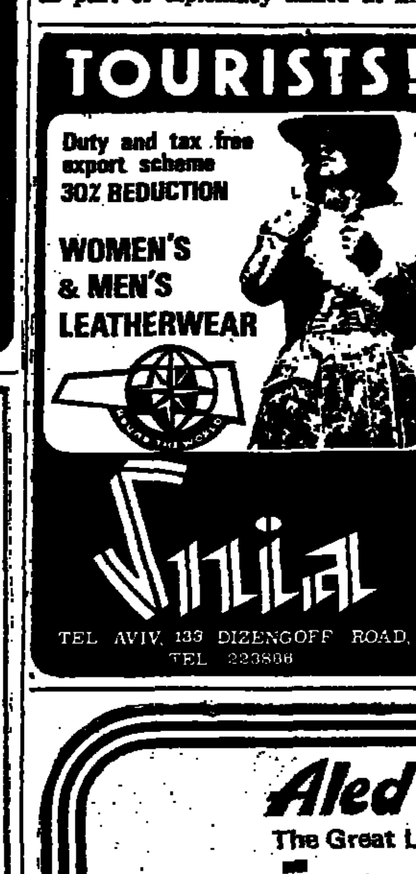

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy to fair.
Outlook for Saturday: Similar.
Weather synopsis: A shallow ridge over the eastern Mediterranean.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	39	21—28	15—24
Golan	—	15—23	13—20
Nahariya	75	13—23	13—24
Safad	46	18—24	15—21
Haifa	72	16—25	15—24
Tiberias	35	15—32	15—29
Nazareth	33	19—26	16—25
Afula	25	13—29	12—26
Shomron	42	21—28	17—24
Tel Aviv	30	15—27	15—24
Lod	22	12—28	13—26
Jericho	43	15—32	16—29
Gaza	81	16—24	15—24
Beersheba	36	16—31	13—28
Eilat	42	22—34	21—31
Tiran	35	25—34	24—33

Social and Personal

Otto Lang, Canadian Justice Minister, yesterday called on Prime Minister Golda Meir at her office in Jerusalem. He also visited the Supreme Court and met with its President, Justice Simon Agranat, and Justices Zvi Berenson, Alfred Witkon and Yitzhak Kahan.

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Dr. Ivo Samkalden, Mayor of Amsterdam, and members of the delegation from his city were yesterday the guests at a luncheon given in their honour by Haifa Mayor, Yosef Almogi.

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The Very Reverend Bishop Goodwin Hudson, Deputy Chairman of the Garden Tomb Association, yesterday called on Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek.

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Esther Herlitz, MK, is to speak on Relations with Diaspora Jewry, at the Haifa Engineers' Club, at 1 o'clock today.

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The new Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf *Mordechai Gur, will be among the* participants in tonight's Vocal Newspaper at Jerusalem's Beit Ha'am at 8:30. Other participants will be Gideon Hausner, Minister without Portfolio, Acting Jewish Agency Chairman Arye Dulzin and Mayor Teddy Kollek.

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Tonight's Oneg Shabbat at Hechal Shlomo, Jerusalem, will begin at 8.45. Rabbi Shmuel Nathan of the Ministry of Tourism and Ze'ev Shatil of the Foreign Ministry will speak. Cantor Arye Goldberg will lead the *zmirot*.
Tomorrow, a Melaveh Malka programme will be presented at 8.30. Pinhas Eliav of the Foreign Ministry will be the guest speaker. Cantor Yehuda Lendner will provide the musical programme. A film will be shown. The public is invited.

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ENGAGEMENT

Muhammed G. and Mrs. Suab Shawwa of Gaza announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Zulfa, to her cousin, Kamel Mustafa Shawwa, of Kuwait. The wedding will take place at the St. George Hotel in Beirut in mid-July.

ARRIVALS

Mrs. Jean de Stoutz, widow of the late Swiss Ambassador to Israel, and President of Christian Action for Israel, for a two-week visit.

European flower arranging champion, Jacques Toebaert, of Belgium, arrived yesterday to prepare his country's exhibit at the international flower show, due to open in the Ramat Gan National Park on Yom Ha'atzmaut.

Plea for rescue of Falashas

TEL AVIV. — The Action Committee for the Rescue of Ethiopian Jewry yesterday called on the Government and on Jewish organizations throughout the world to come to the aid of the Falashas.

The Committee, which organized a public gathering here to mark Holocaust Memorial Day, claimed that the Falashas in Ethiopia are suffering from "hunger, attack, murder and rape." *(Itim)*

Payis winners

The IL250,000 grand prizes in the Mifal Hapayis lottery were drawn yesterday by tickets Nos. 242116 and 739208 (without flash draw, IL150,000).

No. 206476 won IL50,000.—

Nos. 176715 and 410372 won IL12,500.—

Nos. 063675, 129601, 196004 and 443543 won IL6,250.—

Tickents ending in "1" won IL6 — and without flash draw IL4.—.

Memorial Day more solemn at countrywide ceremonies

Jerusalem Post Staff

A two-minute siren blast at 8 o'clock yesterday morning was the signal to Israelis throughout the country to observe the Martyrs and Heroes Memorial Day. Flags were lowered to half-mast, and traffic and work came to a standstill.

Memorial assemblies were held in most localities, and with the Yom Kippur War still fresh in people's minds, and last week's massacre in Kiryat Shmona even more so, many thousands appeared to observe the occasion more solemnly than in previous years. In most of the assemblies, speakers made some reference to the Kiryat Shmona massacre or its aftermath.

The three focal points of the observance were at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem, Kibbutz Lohamei Hagetaot (Ghetto Fighters), and Kibbutz Yad Mordechai. At Yad Vashem, thousands visited the Yizkor pavilion and the Holocaust Museum, and an honour guard of former ghetto fighters, partisans and concentration camp inmates stood all day at the Heroism Monument, where many dozens of wreaths were laid.

The assembly at Kibbutz Lohamei Hagetaot last night was addressed by Minister Yisrael Galili. He said Israel was ready for agreements and compromises to achieve peace, "but our insistence on secure borders is not an abstract, sterile demand, or a national myth, but a necessity we cannot forgo for the sake of the very existence of the Jewish State, in view of the Nazi-inspired ideology of Jewish destruction that the Arab leaders have not yet given up."

The memorial meeting at Lohamei Hagetaot was attended by nearly 10,000 people. The Jewish State, Mr. Galili told them, must live by the oath of the ghetto fighters to be courageous and strong, disdaining illusions, and on guard against plots. "We must be aware of the limits of our strength, but no less of its qualities", he said.

Israel was happy to have reached the disengagement agreement with Egypt, "and it is not we who are delaying a similar agreement with Syria", Mr. Galili said. But there was a long way from such agreements to peace. He welcomed the current "questioning of ways" by the country's youth, as a legitimate and natural search for a better future, but said there was no future for those who did not take into account the terrible past. The Holocaust must become the motivating force to safeguard the Jewish State and guide its youth to build a better society, he concluded.

Labour Minister Yitzhak Rabin struck a similar note during his address at Kibbutz Yad Mordechai, where 5,000 persons attended the memorial meeting. He said Israelis must overcome the internal weaknesses which occasionally crop up, in order to make true the Jewish credo of peace, which was also the credo of the Ghetto fighters.

At the same time, he said, one must remember the world has always shown hatred to Jews everywhere, and looked the other way when they were killed. "If we expected that the world would change its attitude after the Holocaust, the Yom Kippur War came and proved it persists in its old ways."

Former Ghetto fighters and partisans also spoke to the assembled, reminding all that most of the European countries overrun by the Nazis were hand in glove with them when it came to killing the Jews, and emphasizing that no matter how good relations were now between Israel and Germany, "our account with the German People can never be closed."

In many cities and villages, the memorial assemblies took place on Wednesday night, while yesterday thousands visited various sites and monuments dedicated to the memory of the six million Holocaust victims. Some 1,500 survivors of the Holocaust from Poland attended a memorial meeting at a Jewish National Fund forest dedicated to Nazi victims near Eshtaol, in the Jerusalem Corridor. Tel Aviv's Chief Rabbi Yedidya Frenkel and Cantor Yaacov Samek officiated. Some 600 students took part in an assembly at the Technion, addressed by Shmuel Tamir, MK.

A memorial meeting for 140 soldiers of the Jewish Brigade's 462nd Transport Regiment, who died at sea during the war against the Nazis, was held at Mount Herzl cemetery in Jerusalem, at the foot of the monument in their memory. The 140 were among 334 soldiers of the regiment aboard a ship carrying 750 soldiers from Africa, which was sunk by German planes in 1943.

PEACEFUL CRUSADERS.—Two French girls, Evelyne and Corinne Coquet, having their passports checked by a military policeman after crossing the Allenby Bridge from Jordan after a 6,000-km. ride in the footsteps of Godfrey de Bouillon. (Emka)

Intrepid pair jog 6,000 km. into Jericho from Paris

By MARCUS ELIASON, AP Correspondent

JERICHO. — "You'll die of thirst and hunger, cold or heat," their mother told them. "Brigands will kill you. Don't go."

But Evelyne and Corinne Coquet did it none the less. Seven months ago they left Paris on a 6,000 km. horseback ride to Jerusalem, in the footsteps of the Crusaders.

Yesterday they crossed the River Jordan and reached Jericho.

Their epic journey ends today when they ride uphill for 40 kms. to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, traditional burial place of Jesus. They'll be jogging on the same horses with which they left Paris, seven-year-old geldings, Mickey and Donald.

"We're sad that we couldn't make it for Good Friday," said Evelyne Coquet, 27. "But my sister Corinne's horse suffered a bad leg in Syria and it slowed us down by a week."

Pluto, the faithful mongrel, followed the girls on foot across Germany, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and finally Israel.

Evelyne, who made the odyssey as an assignment for the Paris juvenile magazine "Journal de Mickey," and Corinne, 20, who is studying to be a tourist guide, were met in Jericho by their mother, Solange.

"I knew I could never dissuade them," said Mrs. Coquet, "but when I saw them safe, I knew it was a miracle from heaven."

The girls journeyed across the Alps and the Balkan range, where temperatures dropped well below zero. In Syria they passed within a few miles of the Golan Heights, "and we could hear the explosions where the Israelis and Syrians were fighting," said Corinne. "A helicopter tailed us out of the war zone."

They had few problems at border checkposts. "Everybody would be surprised, but usually the officials knew we were coming. After all, two girls on horses are quickly noticed... Sometimes we had quarantine problems with the horses, but we never thought of turning back," said Evelyne.

The girls were bombarded with friendly warnings. "They kept telling it was colder or hotter a few kilometres farther on, or that bandits would rob us. But it never happened."

The Jordanians feared Israel would bar the entry of the horses, "and they wanted us to finish the journey in a taxi," said Evelyne. "But we refused. The only time we did not ride the horses was on the ferry in Istanbul across the Bosporus, and on the coastal highway of Lebanon, when we took a bus."

The juvenile magazine paid all the costs, $1,100, and Evelyne sent it weekly reports. The sisters telephoned their mother whenever they found a working phone. *They carried 50 kgs of baggage each, includ-* winter clothes, sleeping bags and horseshoe equipment, and they spent a year preparing the odyssey, using the route of the Crusade of Godfrey de Bouillon in 1096.

"People advised us to take weapons, but what good would that be? We are peace-loving people. We don't know how to use guns. "Also," added Evelyne, we wanted people along the route to trust us and be hospitable. We trusted them. We could not bring weapons into their towns and homes."

Cavern searched for body of missing Arab editor

By ANAN SAFADI

Scores of firemen and police, armed with flashlights and oxygen equipment, yesterday swarmed into one of Judea's vast caves in their continuing search after the publisher and editor of the Jerusalem Arab weekly, "Al-Fajr," Yousef Nasri Nasr, who is feared to have been abducted and murdered following his disappearance over two months ago.

The search was suspended late yesterday evening and was due to resume today. It was ordered in the light of testimony by one of the five persons being held on suspicion of involvement in the case.

The search of the huge underground covern off the Ramallah-Latrun road may take a number of days. Police and firemen were conducting their operation in the vast cavern with the help of rope ladders. Officers outside got a followup, over closed circuit TV.

Archaeologists failed to explore the cave during the British Mandate, and Jordanian rule in the area. It is known locally as the deadly "Hawwai" ("windy") cave. Local residents remember two men falling into it in the past two decades. All efforts to save them were in vain, in view of its immense depth.

Firemen yesterday picked up a number of objects, which police sent to laboratories to ascertain how long they had been in the location. One of these objects was a car tyre, which indicated that the cave was approached by people recently.

KIBBUTZ YIZRA'EL tomorrow meets Ramat Gan in the third fixture of the local Rugby Football Union's recently-inaugurated "mini-league." The match takes place at Kibbutz Geva, near Yizra'el. Kick off at 3.30.

3 die in collision

BEERSHEBA. — Three persons were killed and three others injured, one of them seriously, in a head-on collision between a pick-up van and a truck on the Beersheba-Mitzpe Ramon road early yesterday morning.

The driver of the pick-up, Shimon Barness, 20, a soldier, was killed instantaneously as were two of his passengers. A passenger in the truck, Reuven Edri, 40, of Mitzpe Ramon, was seriously injured and taken to the Soroka Medical Centre here. Two of the lightly injured, including the driver of the truck, Melech Buxenbaum, 30, were also taken to the Medical Centre for treatment.

The bodies of the two dead passengers were taken for autopsy, but by last night they had not yet been identified. *(Itim)*

Woman resists armed thugs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NETANYA. — Two men wearing army uniforms, and a friend in civvies, were arrested here last night on suspicion of having tried to rob the wife of a local diamond dealer in front of her home.

Two men, armed and wearing balaclavas over their faces, emerged from a white car and tried to wrest the handbag from Mrs. Shalom Bauchman as she was about to enter her home. She resisted, and was knocked down and kicked in the head, but she managed to hold on to her bag and the men fled empty handed.

Acting on Mrs. Bauchman's description, the police soon afterward stopped a car and detained the three men in it. They will be brought before a magistrate today.

Haifa tennis off to lively start

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

HAIFA. — Haifa Carmel Country Club's invitation Spring Tennis Tournament got off to a lively start yesterday evening, with a record foreign entry of 12 players. Two thousand dollars in prize money is at stake in the meet, which will continue throughout today and tomorrow (starting at 8 o'clock on both days).

In first-round men's singles matches played in balmy weather, the high-spot was American Lee Tomlinson's 4-6, 6-4, 7-5 victory over Robert Casey, of Australia. Israeli no. 2 Felix Kaplan scored an impressive 6-1, 6-3 win against Casey's compatriot Robert Beaver, while South African Robert Millington defeated former top local junior Yaron Kathein 6-3, 7-5, and Ronny Goldman defeated Tony Alroy 6-4, 6-4 in an "all-Israeli" match.

THE ANNUAL Judah L. Magnes five-kilometre race along the perimeter of the Hebrew University's Givat Ram campus was won yesterday by Yuval Vishnitzer, of Assa, Tel Aviv, leading a string of 43 with a time of 16:01 minutes. The 2.5 kilometre race for youth under 18 was won by Naftali Cohen, of Elitzur Elyahim, in 7:50.

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expected to spend a day or two, he will fly to Algiers for discussions with President Houari Boumedienne. The latter, who had asked Kissinger to visit his country when he was in Washington last week, is considered to be a possible key in convincing the Syrians to be more flexible in the negotiations.

Kissinger will then go on to Cairo for talks with President Sadat, who is reportedly anxious for a Syrian disengagement. The Egyptian leader has said that he will not go back to the Geneva conference until there is an agreement beween Israel and Syria to separate their forces. Moreover, Sadat does not want Egypt to remain as the only Arab country which has concluded an agreement with Israel, officials here explain.

From Cairo Kissinger and his party will fly to Jerusalem and Damascus — most likely the Israeli capital first — to begin what is expected to be the first stage of his shuttle.

Depending on how his negotiations proceed, Kissinger will decide how many trips to make between the two countries to conclude an accord. There is no definite timetable, the sources maintain, adding: "They'll play it by ear."

The State Department would not confirm or deny this schedule. A spokesman told *The Post* that things "were still going in and out and and are still being set up."

Despite the Kiryat Shmona massacre, the Israeli raid into Lebanon and the Israel Government crisis, there is cautious optimism here that Kissinger will once again be successful in his mission. This is based on an understanding here that both Syria and Israel, despite their daily artillery clashes, are ready and eager to disengage their armies.

Yehuda found guilty of taking IL230,000

HAIFA. — A local lawyer, Israel Yehuda, was convicted in the District Court here yesterday on charges of misappropriating IL230,000 of his clients' money.

Yehuda was arrested at Lod Airport last August on his return from Rhodesia, where he had fled at the beginning of 1972 to avoid facing the charges.

Yehuda's claim that he had been forced to flee the country in February, 1972, after $70,000 worth of foreign currency and bonds he had purchased with his clients' money had been stolen from him in an armed robbery was rejected by the Court.

When asked why he had not immediately reported the robbery, Yehuda replied he had been afraid of facing criminal charges for violating currency regulations. He added that he was advised by a "leading legal figure" — whom he refused to identify — not to report the robbery and to leave the country.

The Court held that the robbery story was pure fabrication and was clearly designed to conceal the truth. Furthermore, as a lawyer, Yehuda had no right to use his clients' money for any purpose, but was required to deposit it in a separate account. Finally, there was no evidence to show that the misappropriated funds had been returned to his clients since Yehuda's return from Rhodesia, the court added.

Sentence will be imposed at the end of next week. *(Itim)*

CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION declined by some IL21.2m. this week, to stand at IL2,888m. approximately. Of this sum, IL195m. was backed by gold, and the balance by foreign currency reserves.

Wants Canada's embassy in Jerusalem

Diefenbaker denounces Soviet hypocrisy in M.E.

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Canadian Elder Statesman and former Prime Minister (1957-1963) John G. Diefenbaker MP, said yesterday that reports of Russia supplying Syria with vast amounts of war materiel — including long-range missiles — were totally inconsistent with that country's protestations of wanting peace in the Middle East. "If Syria renews its hostilities against Israel, only the most optimistic will not fear for international repercussions," he said.

Mr. Diefenbaker said that Security Council resolution 242 should be interpreted "with reasonable regard to secure borders for Israel."

Asked what Canada was doing to further this end, he said that, in his personal view, "there was too much hopeful pussyfooting on this point in Canada, the country should not let itself be blinded by false protestations on the part of the Russians."

Diefenbaker, 78, was addressing newsmen at Jerusalem's King David Hotel yesterday morning. He arrived here on Wednesday for a nine-day visit as the guest of the Jewish National Fund, together with a 52-member group of Toronto JNF leaders headed by David Dennis. The highlight of his visit will be the dedication this morning of the John G. Diefenbaker Parkway in Canada Park in the Jerusalem Corridor.

Diefenbaker said that Canada should demonstrate its stand towards Israel by moving its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. Asked why he had not initiated such a move while he was Prime Minister, Mr. Diefenbaker said that at that time Jerusalem was still a divided city.

The former Premier, who is still a very active Conservative Party Member of Parliament, expressed his disappointment that Canada was trying to sell nuclear reactors to Arab countries while recent negoti[illegible] tions with Israel for such a sale ha[illegible] broken down, ostensibly over th[illegible] problem of financing. "I don't kno[illegible] whether that is the true reason, bu[illegible] we should extend the same long-ter[illegible] credit to Israel as we do to othe[illegible] countries, and I intend to press f[illegible] such a loan," he said. Possession [illegible] such a reactor as a source [illegible] electric power would be a great boo[illegible] for Israel's economy, he added.

JOHN DIEFENBAKER (Ipp[illegible])

Asked about the effects of Ara[illegible] anti-Israel propaganda in Canad[illegible] Diefenbaker said that, because of h[illegible] stand, he receives "some harsh le[illegible] ters." He said that, in his answer t[illegible] such a letter by a certain "reveren[illegible] gentleman" he wrote: "If you weren[illegible] a clergyman and I wasn't a Baptis[illegible] I would tell you where to go."

Mr. Diefenbaker yesterday als[illegible] paid a visit to Yad Vashem and calle[illegible] on Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshu[illegible] yahu. Mayor Teddy Kollek gav[illegible] a reception for him at the Isra[illegible] Museum.

Police tighten security in Arab areas; check traffic

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Strong units of police and border police yesterday took over traffic centres and focal crossroads in Arab-populated areas, amid tightened security measures adopted in the wake of the sudden sharp renewal of subversive activity.

Scores of policemen were stationed on the outskirts of East Jerusalem, where incoming West Bank traffic was thoroughly checked. Other security forces patrolled the Old City, occasionally checking identities and examining belongings.

The security measures are expected to remain in force for some time, especially in East Jerusalem and the administered territories, where subversive cells recently showed marked activity.

Israel security services are busy trying to verify whether terrorist organizations outside Israel and the areas are behind the latest upsurge of incidents — or only local elements. They seek to discover whether some unit may have slipped across into the areas from outside, to move around from place to place as it strikes, or whether local residents of the areas, manufacturing their own explosive devices and taking weapons from their own caches, are solely responsible. Several subversive local residents were detained in Samaria recently.

Fatah, the biggest sabotage organization, is thought to be trying hard to incite residents of the areas to revive underground cells and resume subversive activity.

Fatah is thought to be seeking to prove that its presence and influence on the West Bank must be taken into account in any competition with Jordan over the primacy in the West Bank.

After the small, radical Fatah rival — the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine: General Command — claimed credit for th[illegible] Kiryat Shmona operation last week, the Fatah would probably like t[illegible] prove that it is not only more e[illegible] fective than the PFLP but als[illegible] derives its support from local re[illegible] sidents and so does not need t[illegible] send fighters in across the border to strike.

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Gur consoles Druse family over insult

By YESHAYAHU ASHNI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur yesterday visited a Druse soldier wounded during the fighting against the terrorists in Kiryat Shmona and apologized to him and his parents for insults hurled at them by a Jewish passer-by.

The soldier, Kamal Jawishi, 21, of Julis, was injured in 10 of his vertebrae, during the assault by soldiers on the building occupied by the terrorists. His father told *The Jerusalem Post* that a young man, a passenger in a vehicle which passed by the parents as they came into Safad on their way to see Kamal at the hospital there, shouted insults at them and fled. "My so[illegible] will have to remain hospitalized fo[illegible] a long time," the 47-year-old Juli[illegible] grocer said, "and I hate to thin[illegible] that his relatives would have t[illegible] suffer insults each time they com[illegible] to see him."

Rav-Aluf Gur said he had n[illegible] words to express his apology, bu[illegible] he would make certain the arm[illegible] would do all it can to bring to ever[illegible] citizen's attention the importan[illegible] contribution the Druse soldiers hav[illegible] been making in their military se[illegible] vice.

JOHN
HERSEY
in
THE JERUSALEM
POST

The author of "The Wall," "Hiroshima" and "A Bell for Adono" has written a special piece for

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which will appear next Wednesday, April 24.

Mr. Hersey, a frequent contributor to "The New Yorker" and other magazines, has been revisiting Jerusalem for the past several weeks.

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REPLY TO TERROR

Authorities appeal for calm and greater watchfulness

Jerusalem Post Staff

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel yesterday called upon residents of Jerusalem to do their utmost to prevent inter-communal clashes.

The Minister made his statement over the radio following the murder of Jerusalem taxi driver Zion Abergil and booby-trapping of the body.

Mayor Teddy Kollek said that the Arab residents of Jerusalem, for their own reasons, opposed violence. "I'm sure that the Jewish residents will understand that these incidents, with all their cruelty, are the work of a few individuals and not the great majority of the Arab population."

Sarah Honig reports:

Dan Region mayors do not fear any anti-Arab outbursts in the area, despite the rising number of terrorist actions.

All municipal administrators are alive to the problem that thousands of Arabs come to the region daily, and that they might conceivably become the target of the public's outrage. They all admit that the Greater Tel Aviv area faces a problem not dissimilar to Jerusalem's, although on a smaller scale. One Bnei Brak resident, who lives across the street from the site of yesterday's grenade blast, told *The Jerusalem Post*, for example, that "although these Arabs don't live here, and although our population is officially *homogeneous*, we do have a mixed population during the daytime, as Arabs flow into this area to seek a livelihood."

Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat expressed the sentiment of all Dan Region mayors when he told *The Jerusalem Post* that he believes he lives "in a society in which there is no great potential for the formation of lynch mobs."

Bnei Brak's Mayor pointed to the fact that despite the blast yesterday in his town, the Arab labourers continued their work undisturbed. His deputy, Benyamin Federman, told *The Jerusalem Post* "that here we don't kill people in the streets and we mustn't create that impression — after all this is not Damascus."

Bat Yam's Mayor, Yitzhak Walker, said that what he is worried about "is not any lynch atmosphere because that does not exist. I would, however, wish that there would be greater alertness to danger on the part of the public." Ramat Gan municipality's spokesman asserted that the "problem of violent vengeance here does not exist."

But although the mayors are not worried about the fate of the Arab labourers in case of another terrorist outrage, they are all anxious *to increase watchfulness among the* population and to sharpen security measures. Nearly all of the region's mayors yesterday met with area police chiefs, and all voiced a similar demand for more police patrols and more manpower to be assigned to guard public places, such as markets, hospitals and schools.

ACTION IN BNEI BRAK

In Bnei Brak, some concrete measures have already been taken. The Mayor, Rabbi Yitzhak Meir, had decided to shut down the unofficial labour exchange at the corner of Hashomer and Jabotinsky Streets where the blast occurred yesterday. The arrival there each morning of hundreds of Arabs from the territories had long been a source of concern and suspicion for neighbours in the Pardess Katz area.

Deputy Mayor Federman explained that no one screens the Arabs who assemble each morning looking for work. "We wish to permit the employment of Arabs solely through the official exchanges."

Mayor Lahat has asked the police and the IDF to post forces in certain central points in town, to enable swift reaction in case of trouble, and to enable the security forces to reach the scene of an incident without delay. The city will also issue a call through radio commercials, newspaper ads and billboard posters to citizens to increase their watchfulness. A campaign to increase alertness is already under way in the schools, and school gates are being watched by the older pupils, to see that no trespassers enter unnoticed. The Mayor will consider asking volunteer parents take part in watching school entrances, as is the case in Jerusalem and Haifa.

Bat Yam's problem is especially serious as it boasts one of the country's greatest building booms, and as a result has many Arab labourers working in town. Mayor Walker told *The Post* that many of these Arabs sleep in town as well, and that this fact has aroused concern among many residents, especially following the Kiryat Shmona massacre. Mr. Walker says that the police have informed him that all the labourers who remain in town after sundown are thoroughly screened. But he told *The Post* that he plans to bring this point up again, and have the police review the screening method.

Yitzhak Oked adds:

The Mayors of Rehovot and Rishon Lezion are calling their Municipal Councils into special sessions next week to discuss how to increase security and public alertness.

Rehovot Mayor Shmuel Rechtman told *The Post* that he was to meet with Haganah veterans, volunteer resident watchmen, and parents of children in the city's schools, to ask them to volunteer for special, extra, patrolling of of the city.

Rishon Mayor Hananya Gibstein said that next Monday, his Council would meet with police, Haga and fire brigade officials to study ways to improve security and public awareness.

Ya'acov Friedler interviewed Kamal Mansour, the young Druse leader and Adviser on Minority Affairs to the President.

Mansour said: "If the sudden deterioration in the excellent relations between Jewish, Arab and Druse citizens is not stopped, it will be a great tragedy.

HELPING THE ENEMY

"Hotheads who try to take revenge on Arab citizens of Israel for terror outrages are playing straight into the terrorists' hands." "We must all leave it to the authorities to assure security. Lynch law would be a disaster, and destroy all we have built up together during the past 26 years."

The Druse leader urged that police "act very firmly against hotheads who attack innocent Arab residents. They should be brought to trial quickly, and their trials publicised to serve as an example." He feared that tens of thousands of workers from the areas might be scared away from their jobs, creating unemployment there, and shortages of labour in Israel.

For the long term, he proposed the immediate launching of an information campaign, starting in elementary schools, all the way up to the universities. Local authorities, clubs and other institutions should also join in the campaign. "It will be a great tragedy if everybody takes the law into his own hands and decides which Arab citizen is loyal and which not. But this does not mean that the public's alertness should be relaxed," he said.

The information campaign should also include places where Arab workers are employed, to reassure them that they are safe, and explain to the Jewish workers that the authorities are best placed to judge whether their place of employment is safe or not.

The director of Beit Hagefen, Haifa's Arab-Jewish community centre, Zvi Yisrael, said the centre believed in laying a solid foundation for Arab-Jewish understanding. It was doing this through its 4,000 members from the age of 10 upwards, of whom 60 per cent are Arabs. "Through practical work, in social meetings, hobby circles, sports and joint activities, we are proving that terrorism and vengeance are the wrong way, and that there is another, better way of living together," he said. The centre was also active, through its members, in calming neighbours' quarrels in mixed areas, to prevent their taking on dangerous communal overtones.

Archbishop Joseph Raya, head of the Greek Catholic community, said he was "very concerned" over the outbreaks of communal strife and feared that deep emotions may be stirred up *if nothing is done at* once. He blamed Government policies and statements for some of the latest animosity.

Beate Klarsfeld says goodbye to two French friends who were former inmates of Dachau and who were with her when she was arrested there on Wednesday. (Starphot)

Protest at Bonn embassy over Beate Klarsfeld

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Demonstrators held a day-long vigil in front of the German Embassy here yesterday, to protest the arrest of anti-Nazi fighter Beate Klarsfeld, while she attended a memorial service at the former Dachau concentration camps.

The demonstrators carried placards reading: "Arrest the Nazi murderers, and not those who seek to bring them to justice. Nazis are free in the 'new' Germany, whereas Beate is jailed" and "German justice is still police state justice."

The demonstrators remained outside the Embassy, and did not even seek to enter and present any of its officials with a petition or a letter of protest. They refused to have any dealings with any of Germany's official representatives.

The protest was organized by the roof organization of the Former Partisans, Ghetto Fighters and Concentration Camp Inmates. They were joined by families of the PoWs in Syria, who took part in the demonstration to express their tribute for Mrs. Klarsfeld's recent trip to Syria to protest the way the PoWs are being treated.

Also on hand for the demonstration were high school pupils, kibbutz members and members of the Jewish Defence League.

Jailed in Cologne to await trial

COLOGNE (AP). — Anti-Nazi campaigner Beate Klarsfeld was transferred to a Cologne prison yesterday after being arrested on Wednesday during a demonstration at Dachau, a Cologne state prosecutor said.

Prosecutor Josef Bellinghausen said she is awaiting trial at Ossendorf jail on charges connected with the attempted kidnaping of former Gestapo official Kurt Lischka, 74, in Cologne in March, 1971.

Before being arrested by plain-clothes police at the site of the former Dachau concentration camp, Mrs. Klarsfeld told newsmen she knowingly defied the arrest order by entering West Germany to pursue her campaign for German ratification of a French-German war crimes treaty.

Once ratified, the 1971 treaty would enable German courts to prosecute certain categories of war criminals wanted in France for offences committed during the Nazi occupation.

15 picked up after taxi bomb-murder

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Fifteen residents of East Jerusalem and the West Bank were picked up for questioning yesterday in the wake of the murder of Jerusalem taxi driver Zion Abergil and the booby-trapping of his body.

Police yesterday increased their patrols in both parts of the city but no untoward incidents were reported.

Most of the taxi drivers in West Jerusalem were among the 1,000 persons who attended Abergil's funeral yesterday afternoon. Some 60 taxi cabs were in the procession to Har Hamenuhot. After the funeral, a delegation of East Jerusalem taxi drivers arrived at the cemetery and complained about not having been invited. They were told that they would be invited to offer their condolences at the home of the deceased. The slain taxi driver leaves a wife and two children.

Abergil disappeared on Tuesday night and his body was found the next afternoon in the trunk of his cab, which was parked in Rehov Ben-Yehuda in the heart of the city. The timing device attached to the booby-trap malfunctioned. It had been set to explode at 4 o'clock when the street is normally filled with pedestrians.

A police spokesman in Jerusalem said that the public was showing increasing alertness in the wake of the incident. Twice as many calls as usual were received yesterday at police headquarters from citizens reporting suspect packages or vehicles. None was found to be dangerous. Police officials met with security officers of Egged, supermarkets and other enterprises to discuss ways of tightening security.

ZION ABERGIL (Israeli)

An emergency committee on school safety was set up in Jerusalem yesterday by police, the Municipality and the Education Ministry, and the Parents Association. Among the steps discussed was the posting of guards at school buildings.

B'sheba man held in Toledo murder

TEL AVIV. — A Beersheba man was remanded in custody for 15 days by the District Court here yesterday in connection with the murder of Yosef Toledo, whose bullet-ridden body was found in a shack in Herzliya's Nahalat Ada quarter 10 days ago.

Eliahu Waknin, brother of the girl with whom Toledo was living when he was shot, is suspected of planning to kill his sister and her boyfriend. The Waknin family apparently disapproved of the girl's liaison with Toledo, who had a long criminal record.

Waknin told the court he was shocked at the allegation, and had nothing to do with the murder.

Another suspect in the murder, Nahum David — who is being held in connection with a procuring charge — was also brought before the court, which remanded him for a further five days while his possible conection with the Toledo case is investigated. *(Itim)*

President in K. Shmona

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nority whose sons have taken up arms to defend the State."

Kamal Kassem, adviser to Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev and himself a Druse, also addressed the gathering in the Kiryat Shmona Municipal Hall, warning that the recent senseless attacks on Druse workers may serve the enemy's purpose by driving a wedge between them and their Jewish compatriots.

The President's request of Kiryat Shmona residents not to misdirect their rage, referred to several incidents of violence by some of the townsmen against Druse workers from the Golan Heights, as well as against some Druse soldiers, immediately following last week's massacre. Following the murders, Druse workers were barred from the town for fear such violence would be repeated.

Leaders of the Druse community in Israel reacted bitterly to the incidents, pointing out in telegrams to the Premier and Cabinet Ministers that the Druse, who serve in the Army and share the same fate as all Israelis, were just as shocked as anyone by the massacre, and fully commiserated with Kiryat Shmona's townsmen. Such cables and letters were sent by Sheikh Amin Tarif, spiritual leader of the Druse, and by Sheikh Nur Eddin Halabi, the Druse Religious Court Judge.

Sheikh Halabi, who contributes his salary to the Defence Establishment, also wrote the Defence Minister, the Chief of Staff, and the OC, Northern Command, asking them to enable Druse workers to return to their jobs. He noted that some Druse soldiers took part in the fight against the terrorists who attacked Kiryat Shmona, and it was therefore unfair to bar other Druse from their jobs, or to assault them.

The meeting at the Histadrut in Tel Aviv yesterday was preceded by another, between Kiryat Shmona's Council chairman Avraham Aloni and the commanders of a Druse unit. Mr. Aloni assured them the violence directed against the Druse did not reflect a general attitude of his town's residents, and said he planned to meet with the leaders of the Druse community within a few days, to arrange a *sulha* (reconciliation).

College status for Ruppin farm school

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Ruppin Agricultural School in the Hefer valley will become a college preparing for an academic degree, the Agricultural Workers Union decided on Tuesday. The academic section will be called after the late Haim Halperin, who founded the school 25 years ago.

The Ruppin School gives advanced training in agriculture, in courses lasting from six weeks to 18 months, which were attended last year by 4,000 students.

Relatives of missing hope to spur searches

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Relatives of soldiers whose bodies are believed to be behind the Egyptian lines will hold a meeting at Beit Sokolow at 5 o'clock on Sunday, to see what can be done so that the search for the bodies can be resumed.

The search was discontinued over two weeks ago, because the Egyptians refuse to let the IDF Chaplaincy Corps search teams enter the area.

(Defence Minister Moshe Dayan told the Knesset a fortnight ago that some 80-90 bodies were still missing. The search stopped when the teams were due to scour the area of the forts close to the Suez Canal.)

Conversions c'ttee to consult chief rabbis

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministerial Committee on Conversions is to seek the opinions of the two Chief Rabbis as its first step in canvassing *halachic* opinion at home and abroad on the "Who's a Jew" question. The Ministerial Committee held its first meeting this week, with Premier Golda Meir in the chair.

The committee was created under the coalition agreement drawn up in March when the Government (now resigned) took office. It contains Cabinet members representing Labour, Mapam, the National Religious and Independent Liberal parties, and it is charged with recommending an agreed legislative solution within one year. Its terms of reference specifically empower it to consult with Jewish scholars in Israel and abroad, and the implication is that Conservative and Reform rabbis will also be consulted.

Officials explained that the Premier had decided to go ahead with the committee's work even though she (and her government) had resigned, because she anticipated that the "Who's a Jew" question would figure prominently in the forthcoming round of cabinet-making and would trouble Israel politics until a satisfactory solution is found.

Kadmoni fails to convince PM

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Seren (res.) Assa Kadmoni yesterday urged Premier Golda Meir to ensure that no member of her pre-War "kitchen cabinet" became premier in her place. Seren Kadmoni has been holding a one-man protest vigil outside the Prime Minister's Office throughout this week, and yesterday the Premier invited him in for a chat.

Officials said she had not responded to his pleadings.

Drive to stop poisoning from farm chemicals

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Greater supervision over the use of toxic chemicals in agriculture is being initiated by the Nature Reserve Authority, the deputy director-general of the NRA, Adir Shapira, told *The Jerusalem Post*.

Shapira said that during the past year about 2,000 persons had been poisoned (but not fatally) from improper use and storage of toxic chemicals. Most of them were farmers.

The NRA is also increasing its vigilance because during the past year, wildlife suffered from improper use of toxic chemicals in agriculture. Recently about 15 gazelles were found dead in the south from poisoning. Eagles, owls, and other, smaller, birds have also died from the same causes.

Shapira said the NRA has a special department to advise farmers about avoiding damage to wildlife, by using certain types of toxic chemicals which are effective for crops but harmless to birds and beasts.

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French Hill finds admirer in Dutch mayor

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The mayor of Amsterdam, Ivo Samkalden, said yesterday it would be useful for architects from his city to visit Jerusalem to pick up pointers on architecture.

Mr. Samkalden told the press that he was particularly impressed by the reconstruction efforts he had seen. He also spoke well of current architecture, including the housing estate on French Hill, which has drawn strong criticism locally. Mr. Samkalden was concluding a four-day visit to Israel as a guest of the Jerusalem Municipality and the Foreign Ministry. Accompanying him were a deputy mayor and five councillors.

The mayor, a former law professor, reported that Amsterdam last month instituted a system in which small electrically-operated two-man cars can be rented for use in the city centre. This is aimed at reducing the need to bring large vehicles into the centre, thus reducing congestion and pollution.

Mr. Samkalden said he was impressed at seeing in Jerusalem how people of different religions and origins lived peacefully together. He said the people of Amsterdam remained as close to Israel as they had ever been.

Kinneret has only 66 cm to fill up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Lake Kinneret is only 66 cm below its maximum storage level and it may fill up entirely after the Mount Hermon snows melt.

Mekorot managing director Zeev Kariv announced this in a report to the company board yesterday, when he surveyed the results of the 1973/74 rainy season, which made the level of the Lake rise over 2.14m. since the first rains fell. The season added about 242 million cu.m. of water to Lake Kinneret — the same amount which passes through the National Water Carrier in a year.

The lake, which forms the Carrier's main reservoir, was down to minus 211.8m. below the level of the Mediterranean before the rains began. It is now minus 209.66m.

Mekorot hopes to channel 200 million cu.m. of water to replenish underground water tables, instead of only 84 million cu.m. which it pumped back underground last year, Kariv said.

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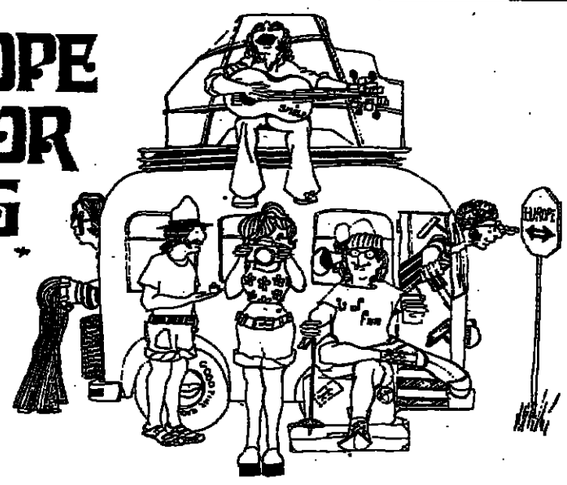

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Ex-ministers will be put under house arrest in Ethiopia

ADDIS ABABA (Reuter). — Ethiopian Prime Minister Endalkachew Makonen announced yesterday that security forces had been ordered to confine cabinet ministers of the former government to their homes.

Radio Ethiopia quoted the Prime Minister as making this announcement during a meeting of some 2,000 officers and men of various branches of the armed forces in Addis Ababa yesterday.

The ministers were members of the government which was forced to resign at the end of February by a mutiny in the armed forces.

According to military sources, the Prime Minister had been summoned to the meeting by the armed forces, who warned him that unless immediate action was taken against the ministers, the army would be compelled to intervene.

The army accuses the former ministers of plunging the country into economic chaos, illegally lining their own pockets while in office, and conspiring to cause disruption since being forced to resign.

The government radio and television said the meeting was opened by a long speech by the Prime Minister, during which he explained in detail a government report setting out proposed long-term reforms, including land reform.

He told the troops that they had a great responsibility to maintain law and order so that the government would be able to carry out its reforms programme.

Makonen also warned that the present spate of strikes could disrupt the country, and urged workers to stay at work and petition through regular channels to have their grievances redressed.

According to the radio, the Prime Minister's announcement of action against the former ministers followed a question asking how it was that while when a poor Ethiopian stole a loaf of bread he was immediately arrested and jailed, the former ministers, who had allegedly committed serious crimes, were allowed to roam the streets without being even tried in a court.

Mr. Makonen said that a commission of inquiry into the former government had been appointed.

Prime Minister Makonen (AP)

Grand Jury will decide on role of Pat Hearst in bank robbery

SAN FRANCISCO (Reuter). — The question of whether newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was a volunteer bank robber, or whether she was forced into the act by her abductors, will be presented to a federal grand jury, according to the U.S. District Attorney for San Francisco.

U.S. District Attorney James Browning said: "I have consistently maintained that evidence may show that all participants of the bank robbery in San Francisco were acting freely and voluntarily. This is a question of fact which must ultimately be decided by the grand jury."

Patricia's father, Randolph A. Hearst, yesterday, called U.S. Attorney General William Saxbe irresponsible for suggesting that his daughter probably was a willing participant. Hearst said Saxbe's comments "confirmed my original view that the man makes irresponsible statements and obviously talks off the top of his head without thinking when he should be listening."

So far, the 20-year-old Miss Hearst has been named only as a material witness in the robbery.

Captain Mortimer McInerney of the San Francisco police department said he was convinced she was a willing bank robber after examining some of the 1,400 photographs taken by automatic bank security cameras during the holdup staged by the Symbionese Liberation Army, the radical group which kidnapped her on February 4.

"The photographs of that very scene in which she's looking at her watch, and then looks toward the door at the time the victim who was shot at the doorway was injured... shows her apparently speaking, apparently yelling and then further apparently swearing after the victim was shot," Captain McInerney said.

'Mitterrand has best prospect'

PARIS (UPI). — The candid of the Communist-Socialist b Francois Mitterrand, has the b chance of being elected Presid of France, an opinion poll yesterday.

Thirty-eight per cent of voters interviewed for the n paper "Le Figaro" said they be Mitterrand would win the elec Of those questioned, 34 per backed the official conserv Gaullist, Jacques Chaban-Del and 28 per cent the second Gal candidate, Finance Minister V Giscard d'Estaing.

But in a straight fight wi single Gaullist, the majority of ers interviewed for the newsp "France-Soir" said they beli Mitterrand would lose.

Under the constitutional sys any candidate getting more tha per cent of the vote in the round of balloting, on May is automatically elected. Other a run-off vote is schedule for 19 between the two top candid

Mitterrand's best chance i the first round, when the Ga vote will be split.

Prime Minister Pierre Mes called on voters on Wednesda deny victory to Mitterrand or a "dangerous adventure."

Mitterrand's programme calls increased wages, nationalizatio major industrial concerns, rent trol, abolition of the death pe and an end to Frances cou intelligence organization.

Compared with a similar poll en two weeks earlier, the "Fig figures showed a four per cen crease in support for Mitteran

Iran stops Dutch imports in anger over protest

TEHERAN (Reuter). — Iran has blocked all Dutch imports to protest against Holland's handling of a student demonstration at the Iranian Embassy in The Hague, government authorities said here yesterday.

They said Iran's Central Bank has instructed commercial banks in Iran to stop issuing licences for Dutch imports, which were cut off after Iranian students occupied the embassy on March 8.

Iran recalled its ambassador to Holland and his staff after complaining that the embassy was inadequately guarded.

The ambassador, Abbas Farzanegan, also objected to a Dutch demonstration outside the court where the Iranian students were sentenced. The student occupiers were protesting against what they called political executions in their country.

Oil production may be cut 'to ensure future prosperity'

LONDON (UPI). — Oil-producing countries may begin cutting production to ensure their future prosperity, the secretary-general of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) said yesterday.

Dr. Abderrahmane Khene said two Opec members — Kuwait and Libya — had already cut their oil production to "ensure the prosperity of future generations."

He told a London conference on oil and international money that Opec had no official conservation policy at present, but predicted all oil producers would follow this course "eventually."

"Opec countries are no different from any other country in seeing where the best interests of their people lie." They could see that it would be folly to continue pumping oil so fast that the world's oil reserves would be heavily depleted in the next three decades.

Khene said the desert Arab countries had "either no or negligible resources" apart from oil. "Their obvious interests would be in preserving their unique trading assets."

"I see no solution to the acute problem we are facing other than for the industrial world to slow down its energy consumption rapidly and very significantly and increase the production of its indigenous energy resources, unless they discover a new North Sea oil field every year or every two years."

Khene said that last year's sharp increase for oil by the exporting countries was "merely to protect their own interests." It was hoped, however, that the higher prices would help conserve dwindling resources. He said people affected by higher oil prices "will adapt themselves eventually." Meanwhile, he said, they would "have to accept the consequences of their shortsightedness."

Warsaw Pact call on European security

WARSAW (UPI). — East European Communist leaders ended two days of talks yesterday and signed a communique calling for new efforts to revive stalled European security and troop reduction negotiations with the West, conference sources said.

The communique was expected to be released later, the sources said. It was signed by Communist Party and government leaders of the Soviet Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria, the Polish news agency Pap reported.

The signing ceremony took place in the headquarters of the Polish Council of Ministers after a four-hour meeting of the Consultative Committee of the seven-nation Warsaw Pact.

The session was presided over by Gustav Husak, Secretary-General of the Czechoslovak Communist Party.

The talks — the first meeting of the supreme political body of the Communist military alliance since January 1972 — were held in strict secrecy.

In a rare public appearance by one of the participants, Soviet Premier Kosygin arrived on foot, guarded by uniformed and plainclothes policemen, to attend yesterday's session.

The East-West negotiations on troop reductions in Central-Europe and the Geneva conference on European security and cooperation adjourned earlier this month with participants decrying lack of progress.

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Iran to finance towns on Canal

CAIRO (Reuter). — Iran has agreed to give Egypt financial backing for reconstruction of war-battered Suez Canal towns, according to a joint communique released here yesterday.

The agreement came after talks this week between Iranian Economy Minister Hushang Ansari and Egypt's Economy Minister, Dr. Abdel Aziz Hegazi.

Iran also promised to give Egypt low interest loans to finance Egyptian imports of Iranian consumer and industrial goods.

Bonn wants probe into profits of oil firms

BONN (Reuter). — West Germany is seeking the cooperation of Britain, France and the U.S. in a tax probe to find out what profits the major international oil companies made during the energy crisis.

A Finance Ministry spokesman said yesterday West Germany had proposed that the three countries cooperate with it in investigating the way the big oil companies were taxed.

The probe, an extension of combined work on international tax problems already undertaken by the four countries, would be designed to combat tax evasion by such means as transferring funds.

Above all, West Germany wanted to establish what profits the oil concerns made during the energy crisis, the spokesman added.

Arab gunmen i Greece may be pardoned

ATHENS (Reuter). — The G judicial authorities decided ye day to reconsider the case of Arab terrorists sentenced to d for an attack at Athens Airpo which five people died and 45 wounded.

An authoritative source said that the file on the case was mitted yesterday to the pa committee with a recommenda by the Athens prosecutor that sentence be commuted to imprisonment.

The two men, Shafik Arid Talaal Khantouran, both 22, th grenades and sprayed machine bullets into the airport's crow transit lounge on August 5 year.

They said at their trial in Ja ary that they had mistaken T York-bound passengers for r rants going to Israel. Last mo the Greek Supreme Court rejec their appeal for a retrial, thus c firming the death sentence.

Legal experts here believe t the pardon committee may c mute the death sentence, and the Greek authorities may e the two Arabs.

A similar procedure was follo in the past to liberate seven terrorists sentenced to various son terms for terrorist activ against Israeli and American perty in Greece. The decision the pardon committee is expe later this month.

In February, the Greek Gov ment pledged that the death alty would not be carried out that the case of the two would be reconsidered after legal procedures had been pleted.

Hamburg police kill gunman fleeing bank

HAMBURG (Reuter) — Police marksmen shot and killed a gunman here yesterday after he had killed a policeman and wounded another in an attempted bank hold-up.

Eye-witnesses said the marksmen opened fire as the gunman left the bank with a hostage, holding a knife to the hostage's throat and the barrel of a pistol to his back.

The gunman, who was dead on arrival at a hospital, was identified by police as Huberto-Emilio Martin-Gonzales of Bogota, a student at West Berlin Technical University. He was trapped by police in the bank after bank employees alerted police of the hold-up via a direct-line alarm. But the two policemen who arrived first in their squad car ran directly into the gunman's blazing pistol as they entered the bank.

Officer Uwe Faden, 34-year-old father of two, was killed by a shot in the head. His partner, wounded in the arm, managed to crawl out of the bank.

The gunman held six persons hostage in the bank for four hours before attempting to escape with one of the hostages as a shield.

The light of an electric bulb is used to induce the growth of the flower stems by two members of the 4-H club — Heart, Head, Hands and Health — in Taiwan. The club now has 70,000 members — aged between 13 and 24 — in Nationalist China, and they have played an important part in doubling farm output since 1952.

Janie Jones ge seven years on vice charge

LONDON (AP). — Platinum b cabaret singer Janie Jones, 37, sentenced to seven years in yesterday on vice charges the cluded procuring prostitutes fo jockeys and using her home brothel.

But the jury of 12 men a Old Bailey Court found Miss a coalminer's daughter who away from home at 16 fo glamour of show business, im of blackmailing two of her c

The two men testified at lengthy trial but were ide only as Mr. Y and Mr. Z.

Miss Jones had been con on the vice charges in an trial, but sentence was post until the blackmail charges heard.

Judge Alan King-Hamilton in passing sentence he had me one woman in his career who ited the title of being evil.

"You are the second and you she was comparatively less," he said.

In the vice trial the prose said Miss Jones organized ping sessions and lesbian love in her fashionable house in sington.

The house, said by police worth £45,000, was fitted w two-way mirror for orgies tha tured prostitutes dressed as 10 old schoolgirls clutching bears.

Miss Jones was also charge providing prostitutes to disc j to persuade them to plug on their radio shows. She wa accused of promising young advancement in show busin they had sex with her clien

In the blackmail case, sh charged with threatening to newspapers about Mr. Y, a man who liked sex with dressed as young girls, an Z, a property developer kno "Mr. Whiplash" because liking for being beaten.

Jailed for Arab bomb plot

BRUSSELS (UPI). — A court sentenced Belgian poet Stefaan Van den Bremt, 32, to three years prison yesterday for his part in a bombing attempt by a group of Palestinians on two natural gas processing plants in the Netherlands in February 1972.

Thirty months of the sentence were suspended.

Van Den Bremt, a French literature teacher, was arrested in Belgium earlier this year on a tip from the Dutch police.

During questioning, police said, he admitted having transported Palestinian friends to the Netherlands around the time of the attempt. He denied knowing their plans or having participated in the attempt.

Bavaria to act against book with Hitler quotes

MUNICH (AP). — The Bavarian State Government, custodian to the copyright of Hitler's "Mein Kampf," is considering taking legal action against the unauthorised use of quotes from the Nazi leader's book.

Andreas Gall, an official of the Munich Finance Ministry, told a newsman that for the first time since World War II a West German author had published a work which, although critical of the Nazi era, devotes more than half its space to quotations from Hitler.

"For this reason we denied permission." He was referring to historian Christian Zentner's book being published by Paul-List-Verlag. "If Zentner now publishes the book after all, we shall investigate the matter and possibly stop publication by injunction."

Gall said that until now the state government had managed to prevent German publishers from reprinting the Hitler opus. However, it had failed in its efforts to stop the book from being reprinted in such countries as Argentina, Spain, Portugal, Brazil, Mexico, Greece, and Lebanon.

The Allied Control Council decided after VE-day in 1945 that the State of Bavaria should succeed to the copyrights of Hitler's publishers.

Zentner's work, using — as the author admitted — more than 50 per cent of "Mein Kampf" quotes, comes at the height of a wave of Hitler publications. The authors of these books generally claim that with the passing of time a more unbiased view of events that led to Hitler's rise to power can now be given.

Gall said that the Bavarian Government did not wish to make any money out of Hitler's works.

Bodies of three girls uncovered

CHARLESTON, South Carolina, Reuter). — Police have dug up the bodies of three teenage girls — all bound hand and foot — from a beach here and are scouring the sands for more possible victims of a mass murderer.

Police said yesterday they had arrested a suspect, a U.S. Navy man, who led them on Wednesday to the sandy graves of two girls tentatively identified as Alexis Latimer, 13, and Sherri Clark, 14. The girls disappeared in May last year. The body of a third girl, 16-year-old Mary Bunch, was found nearby two days ago. She disappeared last February 20.

Police sources said the ropes used to bind all three bodies were similar.

Karpov, Spassky match tied 1-1

MOSCOW (AP). — Anatoly Karpov, Russia's 22-year-old chess wizard, crushed former world champion Boris Spassky yesterday in the third game of their semi-final world challengers' tournament in Leningrad.

Karpov's victory, on the 55th move of the game that was adjourned on Wednesday night, tied the score 1-1 and slowed Spassky's fight to regain the world title he lost in 1972 to America's Bobby Fischer. The two drew the second game.

Karpov, sometimes called Russia's Bobby Fischer and winner of the 1973 Soviet chess championship, required only 10 moves yesterday before Spassky resigned.

Russian executed f theft of funds

MOSCOW (AP). — The head of a collective farm co tion firm was executed by squad for theft of state fu the Azerbaijan Republic, a paper from Baku reaching cow on Thursday reported.

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...at Tito offers a Cuban cigar to U.S. Senator Edward Kennedy during a meeting in Belgrade ...esday. (AP radiophoto)

KENNEDY ARRIVES IN MOSCOW

MOSCOW (Reuter). — Senator Edward Kennedy arrived yesterday for a one-week tour of the Soviet Union and said he intended to raise the issues of civil rights and Jewish emigration with Kremlin leaders.

The U.S. Senator did not say how he intended to approach the matter here. But he is a supporter of a congressional amendment to the Nixon Administration's trade bill which would deny the Soviet Union most-favoured-nation status unless it granted the right of free emigration.

Kennedy, who arrived from Belgrade, said he was delighted to be in the Soviet Union and said he had come "not to negotiate but to learn." Quoting a Russian proverb, he added: "Mountains cannot be brought together but men can."

He was greeted at Moscow's Sheremetyevo Airport by officials from the Supreme Soviet, the Foreign Ministry and Council of Ministers, who presented pink roses to his wife, Joan.

Kennedy, now on the last lap of an East European tour, apparently hopes to convince the Kremlin that the drive to impeach President Nixon is not a plot to wreck East-West detente.

The Democratic senator, whose assassinated brother, the late President John Kennedy, is still regarded with strong official sympathy here, is expected to put over the liberal viewpoint on Watergate at a meeting with Communist Party Chief Leonid Brezhnev.

A session with Brezhnev, who has based his policy of improving relations with Washington largely on the survival of Nixon, has not been firmly set, but his aides were confident it would take place.

Before leaving Belgrade yesterday, Kennedy told a press conference the view that the Watergate affair and its subsequent ramifications were a plot by the enemies of detente could not be further from the truth. He also said he deplored recent NATO exercises by U.S. and Italian naval forces in the Adriatic.

Yugoslavia has strongly criticised the manoeuvres, seeing them as a form of pressure in its dispute with Italy over Trieste.

Kennedy conferred in Bucharest with President Nicolae Ceausescu and in Belgrade with President Tito.

Charges of torture as mass trial of Allende men begins

SANTIAGO (UPI). — The first group of 67 accused supporters of late Marxist President Salvatore Allende went before a military tribunal yesterday in a mass court martial begun with demands for the death penalty and charges of torture.

Prosecutors for the right-wing military government demanded capital punishment for six of the defendants at the first large-scale treason and subversion trial since Allende died in a coup against his Marxist regime last September.

A defence attorney responded by accusing the military of using beatings and electric shock treatment to obtain confessions from the defendants — 13 civilians, including a woman, and 54 members of the Air Force.

In reading the charges against all 67 defendants on Wednesday the prosecution demanded the death penalty for Capt. Carlos Patricio Carbacho, Capt. Raul Vergara, Squadron Cmdr. Ernesto Galaz, Sgt. Belarmino Constanzo, Sgt. Mario O'Ryan and Ricardo Galvez, a recruit.

The government demanded prison terms on charges of insubordination for the three officers appearing in court yesterday — Capt. Daniel Aycinena Fuentes, Lt. Ricardo Navarro and Sgt. Juan Ramirez Saavedra.

Attorney Roberto Garreton, one of more than 40 lawyers defending the accused, told newsmen on Wednesday at least five of his clients had been tortured to obtain confessions.

In reply, an Air Force spokesman said the torture accusation, delivered to newsmen out of court, had not been brought up prior to the trial.

"It is surprising that Garreton made the charges to newsmen and did not follow legal procedures by denouncing these alleged acts to the tribunal," the spokesman said.

Garreton told newsmen he had no legal proof to substantiate the torture charges because the physical effects of the alleged abuse disappeared with time.

A state of siege decree in effect since the coup bars appeals from the sentences handed down by the military judges.

Secret court martials held shortly after the coup against Allende sentenced at least 96 prisoners to death. The executions apparently stopped in mid-December by order of the junta president, Gen. Augusto Pinochet.

Yesterday's proceedings were the first mass political trial open to the public.

The mass trial was expected to last from 20 to 30 days with an average of three cases heard daily. Verdicts will be announced when all the cases have been heard, an Air Force spokesman said.

Nixon's conduct as lawyer probed

NEW YORK. — The New York City Bar Association, with the help of special Watergate prosecutor Leon Jaworski, is investigating charges of professional misconduct against President Nixon, his former attorney-general, John Mitchell, and three other lawyers, the "New York Daily News" said yesterday.

Jaworski, his predecessor Archibald Cox, and the Senate Watergate Committee have supplied the Bar Association — one of the most prestigious in the U.S. — with information which might lead to disbarment of the five men, the newspaper said.

The other lawyers under investigation are Gordon Strachan, former aide to ex-White House Chief of Staff H. R. Haldeman, David Young, former co-director of the White House "plumbers" unit set up to plug information leaks, and an unnamed lawyer, the "Daily News" said.

The California State Bar already is conducting a similar investigation into the activities of former domestic affairs adviser John Ehrlichman, Herbert Kalmbach, Nixon's personal lawyer, and Donald Segretti, convicted of political sabotage, the newspaper said.

In addition, the Maryland State Bar has taken action to disbar former Vice-President Spiro Agnew, who pleaded no contest to tax evasion. Agnew is appealing against the move.

Many of the people so far implicated in the Watergate scandal are lawyers who face similar disbarment. If proved guilty of lawbreaking, the lawyer can be disbarred or at least censured.

Former White House lawyer John Dean has already been disbarred in one state and suspended from practice in another after pleading guilty to conspiracy to obstruct justice in Watergate-related activities.

Former U.S. Commerce Secretary Maurice Stans flatly denied to a jury yesterday that he was guilty of conspiracy, obstruction of justice or perjury.

Like co-defendant Mitchell, Stans denied ever trying to fix a fraud investigation of financier Robert L. Vesco in return for a secret $200,000 contribution to Nixon's 1972 campaign.

"Are you guilty or not of these charges?" asked Stans' lawyer, Walter Bonner, at the end of a two-day direct examination.

"I am not guilty of any of these charges, believe me," Stans said, loking directly at the jury.

The indictment charges that Stans and Mitchell defrauded the Government Bookkeeping Agency, by failing to report Vesco's contribution, which Stans received on April 10, 1972, three days after the effective date of a law requiring disclosure. *(Reuter, AP)*

Plight of Syrian Jews before Kissinger

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The plight of the Jews of Syria will be raised by Israel in the forthcoming disengagement talks through Secretary Kissinger, Foreign Minister Abba Eban assured Syrian immigrant leaders yesterday. A delegation of the Syrian Immigrants Association called on the minister to discuss the problem.

A New York report says more than 600 persons joined on Wednesday in a memorial programme arranged by Greater Washington's Jewish community council opposite the White House for the six Jewish victims of terrorists in Syria and the 18 in Kiryat Shmona, JTA reports.

Many in the crowd signed a letter addressed to Syrian President Hafez Assad which noted that Wednesday was Syrian independence day and urged him to free immediately all Jews now imprisoned on "trumped up charges" and allow Syrian Jews to emigrate.

The letter was delivered to the Syrian interests section at the Watergate building. Syria and the U.S. do not have diplomatic relations but have representatives in their respective capitals.

The Council refrained from preparing placards for the programme since, an official explained, it was a memorial service. The Jewish Defence League's Washington group, however, carried an effigy of Secretary of State Henry Kissinger hanging from a scaffold, and placards reading "Victims of Henry's detente," "Brezhnev's bloody hand" and "Never again."

The three placards drew protests from many in the crowd as "not representative."

Death toll near 1,000

Wilson in surprise visit to Ulster

...AST (UPI. — Prime Min... Harold Wilson, under heavy ...y guard, flew unexpectedly ...day to Northern Ireland ... escalating violence has ...t the official death toll to ...1,000.

...n flew by helicopter and ...Air Force jet from his Scilly ...cation retreat off the tip of ...m England.

...h troops armed with rifles ...achineguns ringed the RAF ...and later accompanied the ...Minister as he moved swiftly ...a round of conferences with ...commanders, police officials ...cal government authorities.

...ty after Wilson's arrival, a ...exploded in the Sattersland ...terian Church Hall in the ...of Magherafe, near London... Police said the blast caused ...te damage but no casualties. ...tatement issued by Wilson's ...10 Downing Street residence ...don said the visit's main purpose was to discuss the sharp escalation of violence in the province.

Wilson, making his first visit to Northern Ireland since his Labour Government took office on March 4, conferred with Gen. Sir Frank King, commander of British troops in the province, and the territory's British chief police constable, Jamie Flanagan.

The Prime Minister also met with Brian Faulkner, Protestant chief executive of the province's new local government, the Northern Ireland Executive, and his Roman Catholic deputy, Gerry Fitt.

A London newspaper, the "Evening News," said Faulkner was expected to tell Wilson that, with the official death toll nearing the 1,000-mark, a full-scale civil war between the province's Protestant and Catholic communities cannot be far off. A spokesman for Faulkner refused, however, to say whether Faulkner discussed the possibility of civil war in his meeting with Wilson.

CURFEW EASES IN NIGER

COTONOU, Dahomey (UPI). — Niger's new military rulers shortened the curfew and reopened Niamey Airport yesterday in moves to return the country to normal after overthrowing President Hamani Diori on Monday, according to reports reaching here.

Armoured cars stood guard at the former Presidential Palace and at the building housing the new Supreme Military Council, but the country was calm.

Niger Radio broadcast more messages of support for the regime of Lieut.-Col. Seyni Kountie, who Wednesday appointed himself head of state and denounced the Diori government as "hypocritical and traitorous," and "a barbaric puppet regime."

Kountie said after the coup that Diori — who had been President since the West African country won independence from France in 1960 — was unharmed and under house arrest. Reports in African diplomatic circles here said Diori's wife and about 20 presidential guards were killed in the attack.

Kurdish 'breakaway' report as fighting escalates

...DT (AP). — Rebellious Kurds in northern ...have set up their own government adminis... and plan to proclaim their autonomy from ...aghdad Government soon, the "Arab World" ...l said yesterday.

...report, quoting well-informed Kurdish sources, ...amid reports of escalating fighting in oil-rich ...rn Iraq between government troops and the ...h rebels.

...Voice of Kurdistan Radio reported on Wed... that an Iraqi general was killed in one of ...ferent clashes. There was no word of the ...g from Baghdad.

...Arab World" said an eight-man executive ...d under the leadership of Mulla Mustafa Barzani, head of the Kurdish Democratic Party, had ...established.

...Council includes five ministers who recently resigned from the Baghdad government after Barzani rejected an Iraqi government plan for limited Kurdish autonomy in northern Iraq, the journal said.

The "Arab World" sources denied, however, that Barazani and the Kurds intend to form a separatist government or are seeking recognition by foreign states. Instead, they intend to set up an autonomous administration within Iraq, according to the sources.

The "Arab World" report said the Kurdish army, the Pesh Merga, had recently been increased from 20,000 to 50,000 men. It also quoted the sources as saying that the Kurds had established a working relationship with the Teheran government and "the Kurds have made use of this relationship in strengthening themselves."

The sources denied Iraqi government claims that the Kurds were receiving arms or other supplies from the U.S., saying the Kurds "have not yet established a relationship with the U.S."

...rael in danger of being like neighbours'

...Jerusalem Post Correspondent

...DON. — "The Spectator" ...in a front-page editorial ...that "the politics of Israel ...ll in the gravest danger of ...ning a confused democratic ...acrum of the politics of her ...bours."

...e pro-Israel, Conservative ...y writes: "Last week we sug... tentatively, and from a dis... that Israeli politicians would ...st advised if they attended ... to the underlying unity of ...state, to the necessities of its ...ce, than to the squabbles of ...parties. Alas, with a guerrilla massacre in Israel itself, and with an Israeli reprisal raid in Lebanon, the political tension in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem has rather than loosened."

The paper writes that "there is nothing that can be called stability in any Arab country," and stresses the importance to Britain's material interests of having a stable, strong, like-minded nation in existence in the Middle East.

"In her splendid self-confidence, Israel has stood alone among Middle Eastern powers in energy, endurance and consistency... The indispensable barrier to the Russian advance in the Middle East remains Israel, as Israel remains, along with India, the only testimony to democracy as a functioning political philosophy which the Western powers have left behind them in the Third World.

"Because of her awareness of the necessity to be strong and confident if she is to survive in an Arab sea, Israel is likely to pull through her present political turmoil. It is necessary for the West as well as herself that she does so — and necessary for every Western fibre to be strained to encourage her, not just to survive but to prosper."

...ordan blames Israel for 'hurting economy'

...ED NATIONS (AP). — Jordan ...d Israel yesterday for cutting ... Jordanian economic growth ...military action in 1967 but said ...conomy was now forging ahead ...

...danian Ambassador Abdul Ha... Sharaf told the UN General As...ly: "Our successful national ...t in development, gaining in ...entum and speed for years, was ...ted in 1967 by foreign agres...

...policy debate at a special ses...on raw materials and develop... he said Jordan before 1967 ...attained in its seven-year economic plan "a rate of growth of around 10 per cent within a framework of relative price stability."

"The Israeli occupation of the West Bank in 1967," he declared "pushed over 40,000 displaced persons into East Jordan, disrupted the economy, deprived industry of half of its natural resources, reduced private investment, pushed defence expenditure up to half of the government total expenditure and reduced the rate of growth of the gross national product to 3.8 per cent.

"But life did not stop and the national will has been re-mobilized. We are now successfully implementing our three-year plan — 1973-75 — and planning for the next five-year plan."

Sharaf said the goal "is a leap forward in the areas of agriculture, industry, mining, education, social and health services and reform of the government machinery."

He told delegates two themes must dominate the Assembly's deliberations — first, "the urgent need for a fundamental reshaping of the world economic relations" on a fairer basis, and, second, "the theme of work — the theme of self-reliance."

...ypertension hits the poor

...TON (UPI). — An estimated ...million Americans suffer from ...blood pressure, and at least ...of them are unaware of the ...at to their lives, medical ex...s agreed Wednesday.

...ey said the rate of hypertension ...high blood pressure — terms ...used synonymously — was ...among blacks and other mi...ty groups.

...ore than 200 health profession... community leaders and health ...consumers Wednesday attended ...New England conference on ...mmunity Action against High Blood pressure." The meeting was held at the Museum of Science.

Dr. Adrian Ostfeld was among those who said too much emphasis was placed on salt as a factor in hypertension. He also emphasized, as did others attending the meeting, that high blood pressure was a disease of the poor as much or more so than of the affluent. "It is a disease of people who cannot make ends meet," he said.

About 80 per cent of those with high blood pressure can respond to medical treatment, doctors said, with a good chance of averting either heart attacks or strokes.

Volkswagen going into the red

WOLFSBURG (Reuter). — The West German car makers Volkswagen will plunge into the red this year for the first time in their history, officials disclosed yesterday.

Volkswagen chairman Rudolf Leiding told a meeting of employees here the company would "without doubt" make a loss in 1974. He said price rises for Volkswagen models would not compensate for falling sales down by 28 per cent in some places and cost increases totalling almost 1,500 million marks.

...Mayors propose ...limiting traffic

...AN, Italy (AP).—Delegates to ... International Conference of ...ors agreed here yesterday that ...iting private traffic in downtown ...as is essential to reduce pollution ...cut energy consumption.

...ut they also stressed that the ...peration of citizens and a ...engthening of public transporta...n are necessary to achieve such ...lts.

...ver 150 mayors and city officials ...m five continents are taking part ...the four-day conference of mayors ...the world's major cities.

Biggest pools win ever

SALVADOR, Brazil (Reuter). — The world's biggest soccer pools winner confessed yesterday he owed 18 months rent and said his first purchase would be a new cage for his favourite parrot.

Francisco Portela, 26, who won a record £980,000 (about IL10m.) on the pools last weekend said that all he wanted was to pay his rent and be left in peace.

Portela, a portly accounting machine operator, fled from reporters after he was told of his win.

Playwright Pagnol dies at 79

PARIS (AP). — Marcel Pagnol, the French playwright who wrote about the warm and picturesque people of his native Marseilles, died yesterday at his home in Paris after a long illness. He was 79.

Pagnol was one of France's most famous playwrights, but his reputation was based almost entirely on four plays: "Topaze," which first appeared in 1928, and the trilogy, "Marius," "Fanny" and "Cesar," written in the early 1930s.

Pagnol was elected to the Academie Francaise — France's 40 immortals — in 1946. For the past 15 years he had been working on his memoirs.

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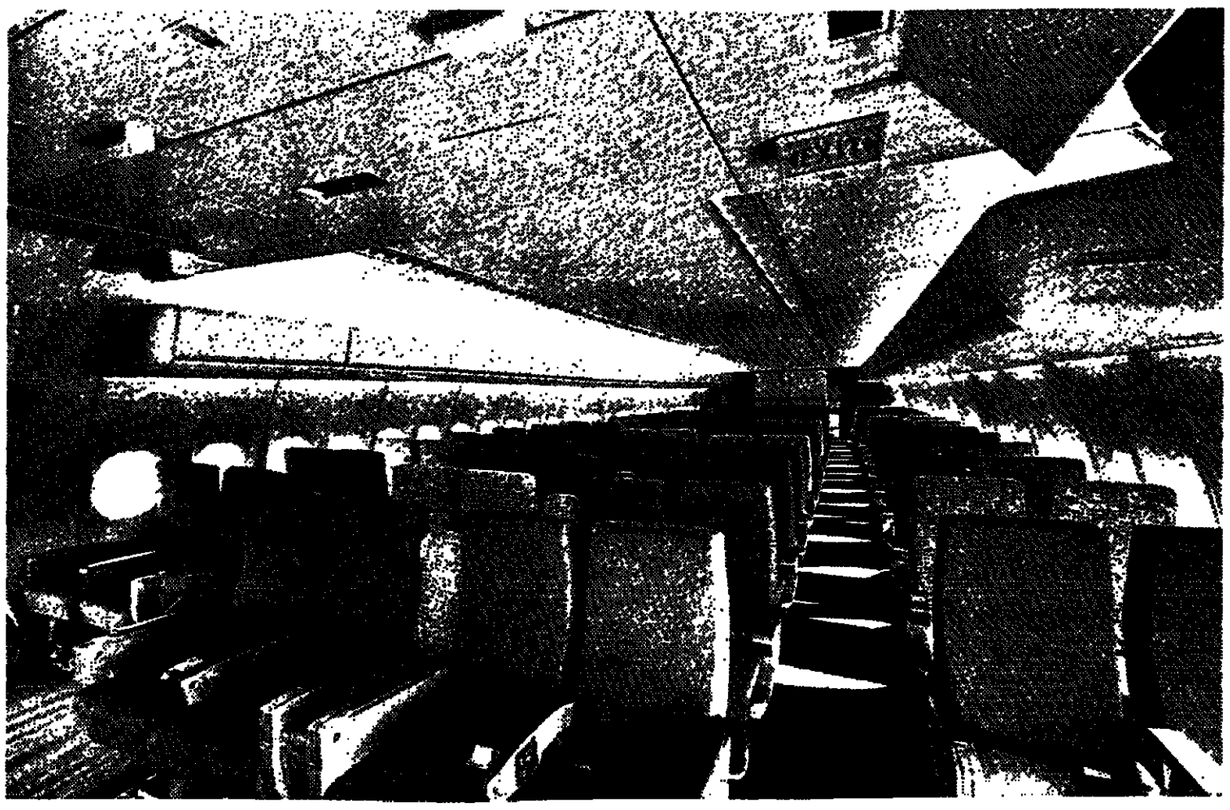

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SUNDAY, APRIL 21 (in Hebrew)
IN MEMORIAM
ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PASSING OF IZHAK BEN-ZVI,
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8.00 a.m. — Shaharit Service at Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi, Rehov Abrabanel, Rehavia, Jerusalem
4.00 p.m. — Service at the President's last place of rest, Har Hamenuhot, Givat Shaul — conducted by **Aluf Rabbi M. Piron, Head Chaplain of ZAHAL**
Buses for the public will leave from Kikar Menora — Rehov Bezalel at 3.30 p.m. and will return to the centre of town at the conclusion of the ceremony
5.30 p.m. — Memorial Assembly—in the presence of the President of the State of Israel, **Prof. Ephraim Katzir** and the Speaker of the Knesset, **Mr. Israel Yeshayahu**
Participants:
Prof. Benyamin Mazar, Chairman: Opening remarks
Mr. Izhak Rabin, Minister of Labour
Prof. Haim Hillel Ben Sason — Saadiah Gaon's Views on Society
Participation in Memorial Assembly by invitation only

7.30 p.m. — Lecture Course in English on Jerusalem Throughout the Ages
In Memory of the late President Izhak Ben-Zvi — **Dr. Eliahu Elath**, Chairman
The Status of the Second Temple and its Priests Within Jewish Society — **Mr. Yeshayahu Gafni**
Subterranean Jerusalem — **Dr. Daniel Sperber**

MONDAY, APRIL 22 — Seminar on the Holy Cities (in Hebrew) — **Mr. Pesah Bar-Adon**
Hebron during the Arab Period — **Dr. Moshe Sharon**
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AT UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

The laboratory where Dr. Weizmann conducted his experiments. The top of the bench, tap fittings and some of the apparatus are believed to be unchanged from the doctor's days.

Surprise end in hunt for Weizmann's lab

"The Assignment," a political-espionage play by Gertrude Samuels on the subject of a hunt for the notorious war-criminal Josef Mengele, was given its world premiere in Manchester at the end of last month. While working on her play, Miss Samuels — a "New York Times" writer and well-known to many Israelis — found a strange and paradoxical twist to her research. She tells the story in the following article which appeared in the "Manchester Evening News" on March 27.

CALL it chance, coincidence, extra sensory perception — what happened the other afternoon at the University of Manchester told a lot about us ordinary humans in its paradoxical way.

I was on a search for the old chemistry laboratory in the University where Dr. Chaim Weizmann biochemist, humanist, and the first President of Israel, had once conducted his experiments and lectured.

I knew that his old lab had been somewhere in a wing of the oldest part of the University, for a score of years ago I'd been shown it briefly while on tour here. More relevantly, the grand old college and the grand old man both figure in my new play, The Assignment, a political espionage drama, and I wanted to confirm certain aspects affecting them in the play. Did the lab still exist as a lab? Was it in current use? Did anyone work in it now?

As the search developed, it became a sort of sub-drama to the play — for while many at the University had heard of Dr. Weizmann, few seemed to know about his lab. Some speculated that with the construction of the new chemistry building, the old labs had been thrown out; others that it existed somewhere but had probably been remodelled out of recognition.

And no, we were firmly told — Philip Radcliffe, communications officer for the University, now led the search — there would be no plaque to show where the old man had worked his experiments.

"No more than plaques adorn the rooms of our other notables, like Rutherford (atom-splitter) or Engels. We don't bother to put up signs like that," a spokesman put it with typical British reserve. Radcliffe stubbornly telephoned around. He was now completely fascinated by the search for the old lab, since he'd "never heard about it before."

At last one creative thinker suggested we tap laboratory Superintendent Lowe. We hit pay dirt: Yes, yes the lab was not only in existence, but also very much in use; it was in the pharmacy building, which had been the original chemistry building; moreover, he wanted to lead us to it himself — "Too hard to describe how to get to it, and I don't want you to miss it," he said. He sounded nostalgic.

We sped to the pharmacy building. All seemed relatively new, with heavy machinery in the basement where I thought it had once existed. Everyone was also too young to remember anything of the Weizmann era.

He arrived in minutes. He led us on a short trip up winding steps to upper floor offices and labs, and the search came to an end at a door on which was fixed a small purple-and-white legend:

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The find had made my day — but I was totally unprepared for the strange and paradoxical twist that was to end the adventure. Inside, the lab reflected a curious mix of old and new: walls fresh-painted, fluorescent lighting overhead, modern lab paraphernalia, all contrasting sharply with the old dark-wood lab benches of half a century ago.

Two of these lined either wall with their spacious sturdy drawers below and still held some of Dr. Weizmann's small iron tripods.

The old sinks, too, belonged to the Weizmann era. Working with one of the condensers was a tall, lone man, white-coated, black-haired, bespectacled, intensely at work on some experiment on the bench. He looked up quietly at our entrance.

Radcliffe introduced us, apologised for our interruption, and explained the reason for it. The young scientist burst into his apology with laughter and some excitement.

"You were searching for Weizmann's old lab, and this is the very one," he said. He shook hands all around warmly. I puzzled about his accent, obviously non-British.

"Where are you from then?"... "I am Egyptian," he replied.

"But how marvellous." I heard myself stammering. "Here, working in Chaim Weizmann's lab, an Egyptian scientist. That's beautiful!"

And we kept on shaking hands. He laughed again. He understood.

Kassem El Sahhar is a 30-year-old lecturer from Cairo University, in his third year at the University of Manchester, but spending his first year in this particular honours laboratory. Married, with two children, he will be returning to Cairo to continue with his work. We talked about his work and his hopes. I took a picture of him among his condensers, and test tubes, and bottles — and the Weizmann tripods.

Just before we said goodbye, I asked him: "Do you think we can get peace in the Middle East now?"

"Why not?" he replied. "It's very dangerous for all people to live in the state of war in this time. We have to be finished with wars. So — why not?"

Back at the Library Theatre my director, David Scase, reflected on the afternoon's adventure, and suggested the headline for it: Peace? Why Not?

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Laqueur completing book on Weizmann

LONDON (AP). — Professor Walter Laqueur, noted writer on the Middle East, is completing the definitive biography of Israel's first President, Chaim Weizmann, most of which was written by Labour politician Richard Crossman, who died earlier this month, the publisher announced on Wednesday.

Mr. Crossman, former editor of the "New Statesman," worked on the book until shortly before he died. He had agreed to write it in 1971, and Yad Weizmann had made their archive material available to him.

"Mr. Crossman had written several chapters — up to the time of the Balfour Declaration in 1917 — and had made copious notes covering a goodish portion of the book," said Sir George Weidenfeld, whose firm is publishing the biography.

Prof. Laqueur currently is director of London's Wiener Library and Institute of Contemporary History.

Soviet Jews' fight to leave doesn't stop

By COLIN SHINDLER
Special to The Jerusalem Post

LONDON. — THE drop of nearly 40 per cent in the number of Soviet Jews being permitted to emigrate to Israel has brought to the forefront of the struggle many prominent intellectuals and professionals.

In Kishinev, Professor Israel Gohberg, an *internationally-known* mathematician, has just been refused an exit visa on the grounds that he would take with him not only his own knowledge, but that of his collaborators, pupils and teachers.

Gohberg, who received the refusal in hospital, where he is recovering from a mild heart attack, is a corresponding member of the Moldavian Academy of Sciences, and all his work and that of his colleagues have been published quite openly.

In Moscow, two Jews connected with the Soviet film industry have been victimized because they had applied to leave for Israel. Felix Kamov-Kandel, a scriptwriter, was working on the film "Wait a Little." However, when the film was shown in a Moscow cinema on March 10, Kamov-Kandel's name did not appear in the credits.

Mikhail Suslov also found his name missing from films that he had worked on soon after he submitted his application to leave for Israel.

Edward Boldiansky, a viola-player in Moscow's Bolshoi Theatre Orchestra, was refused an exit permit because of the material situation of his parents-in-law. This followed a court case in which the parents were denied a financial claim against their children.

The judge thought that because the parents received 300 roubles a month, it was not necessary to extract further money from Boldiansky and his wife. The emigration officials did not take this point of view and offered it as a suitable reason not to give them the exit permit for Israel.

Another man with parent trouble is 45-year-old Moscow librarian Leonid Zisman. He was refused two weeks ago because his aged parents refuse to consent.

Expelled from yeshiva

Perhaps the most interesing case in recent weeks is that of Ilya Essas, who was expelled from the Yeshiva adjoining the Moscow Synagogue because he had applied to leave for Israel with his wife and child. The Yeshiva is supposed to train Jewish religious leaders. But in practice, little is done and many religious Jews have been driven to the conclusion that they can only fulfil themselves in Israel.

Essas applied for an exit permit last summer, but did not tell the synagogue authorities about his application. After his request to leave had been turned down, he was among the more than 70 Jewish "refuseniks" arrested on March 1 while making their way to the building of the Communist Party Headquarters.

Although released the same night, Essas' name was taken by the militia. Shortly afterwards, he was approached by the President of the Moscow Jewish Religious Community, Ephraim Kaplun, who told him that he would not be permitted to set foot in the Yeshiva.

As Kaplun put it: "You should be a Soviet man and not think of going to Israel." Essas reminded him that at Passover, Jews all over the world say "Next year in Jerusalem," to which Kaplun replied: "But I say, 'L'shana Haba Po — Next year here."

AT THE CINEMA

Crime thriller

The Contract (Drive-In, Tel Aviv) is a crime-thriller about a young Frenchman in New York, wanted by both the law and the underworld after accidentally witnessing a double murder being committed by a local Mafia leader. This French-made production, with English dialogue, is directed by Claude Mulot.

Bruno Pradal ("Mourir d'Aimer") plays the hunted man, Thomas, who tries to hide out in the small seaside resort in Normandy where he was born. There he plays cat and mouse with his American pursuers, an upright police lieutenant (Charles Southwood), who needs him alive as a witness, and a suave Mafia-hired gun (Gabriel Tinti), with a contract for $30,000 to kill him.

The plot, while interesting, suffers from being too diffuse, and there is also an unnecessary stress on brutality. However, the acting of the international cast — which includes Sidney Chaplin as a corrupt *district attorney — is uniformly* good. In addition, Roger Fellou's colour camera gives continuous pleasure, as the action moves between the U.S. and France; particularly fine are some winter scenes of the Normandy resort, with its deserted promenade and seashore.

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IN MEMORIAM: SHMUEL BENTSUR

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Love of life is necessary in foreign affairs

By ZE'EV SHEK

THEY WEAR top-hats and cutaway coats, sip martinis at cocktail parties, don't pay customs dues in foreign countries. Recently, they have begun to be kidnapped or sometimes even murdered. But hitherto they generally died the death of most public servants in Israel, by heart attack or stroke although the statistics showed there was a shorter life expectancy in this profession than in others. But that's not the point. They are inflated with the sense of their own importance, empty men, who act on our behalf — but not to our liking.

This is a widespread view of the diplomatic service, held not only in Israel.

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Shmuel Bentsur, who died a year ago today, grew up in the Zionist youth movement in Hungary, living and working and giving of himself in the best pioneering tradition. What didn't he do?

He edited a youth magazine, was active in the underground, organized ideological discussion groups, worked as a building labourer, as a watchman, on "illegal" immigration, as a negotiator without official accreditation, then as a full-fledged diplomat, and finally as the inspector of the Foreign Service. And in every situation, whether things were going well for him or badly, he remained, always, a human being.

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It is easy to criticize, as one of our popular rhymsters often does, the foreign service as a whole, "the Israeli diplomat," as an empty vessel, without heart or soul, set apart by his overweening pride from the nice, modest, average "Mr. Israel." "The diplomat" is portrayed as a figure who speaks many languages — but says nothing in any of them. It is no doubt provocative, and therefore, attractive, to write about "the diplomat." Generalizations, after all, need no hard facts to substantiate them.

But let us set aside for a moment such rhymes and generalizations. The diplomatic service contains able men and inept men, good men and bad, handsome and ugly, diligent and lazy, and many who combine a measure of some or all of these qualities. In fact, the diplomatic service resembles any other profession.

The trouble is that the diplomat works in a show-case. The public sees him, but rarely hears him and certainly never reads the results of his labours.

He must suit his clothes and his conduct to the mores of the country in which he serves or to the dictates of international protocol — without, at the same time, losing his identity as an Israeli. True, it is not easy, and there are those who fail, lapsing into an exaggerated inclination towards the one extreme or the other.

But at the end of the day, if the man naturally inclines towards top-hats and cutaway coats, to high-sounding speeches full of empty phrases, the inclination will stay even when the top-hat and cutaway coat are gone.

And, conversely, the foreign service has its brilliant wits, its warm and attractive characters, its penetrating thinkers and speakers, and its devoted pioneers. He who seeks them out — and has no prejudices to blind him—will find them with ease. And whether they happen to be wearing a top-hat and cutaway coat, or just an ordinary lounge suit, will make no difference whatever to their real qualities.

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SHMUEL Bentsur was a practical man. Facts first was his watchword. His first priority was always to examine the factual situation, to establish the grounds for this or that assertion or analysis. He was a no-nonsense man. But at the same time he never lacked imagination or a sense of humour which captivated both friends and rivals.

"Consider, please", he would begin every statement, Hungarian-style, and you knew you would receive a reasoned answer, whether positive or negative, to your inquiry.

He was involved in organizing "illegal" immigration in pre-State days and hundreds, if not thousands, of people are beholden to him for their aliya and for the rescue of their property. He was counsellor to three Foreign Ministers, he was active in military purchases, signed economic agreements and served successfully in three capitals at the head of Israel's missions, winning personal popularity and sympathy and support for his country.

But when he returned to Jerusalem from his foreign postings it was not his wont to call press conferences in order to trumpet his successes. His words were not broadcast on the radio of a Saturday morning in order to enhance his reputation and prove his uniqueness and indispensability to the foreign service. He conducted himself according to the age-old tradition whereby a diplomat's task is to be the mouth and the ears of his government. If the mouth and ears are operated by a clear and penetrating mind — the result is an accomplished foreign service man. And if the same man has a good and warm heart and a subtle understanding of human frailty — then we have the consummate diplomat.

The superficial glitter is merely a facade for the daily routine of hard and anonymous work, in which the personality of the diplomat should be muted rather than concentuated. A hyper-active, hyper-efficient diplomat with too much initiative, who moulds policy, is a danger to the country which he represents and to the country which he is accredited.

Shmuel Bentsur was not among those who believe that they alone have all the answers. As a professional, he understood that an efficient foreign service must carry out the policy of its government according to the instructions of the Foreign Minister, who is responsible for implementing that policy. To this end discretion is required, discretion — the legitimate foe of the press. It is thus no wonder that one reads and hears less about this type of diplomat than about those who are blinded by the superficial glitter, those who shake heaven and earth with assertions of their political astuteness and high opinion of themselves.

Peace with himself

I do not believe that a man who is not at peace with himself and the world around him can be a good diplomat. He can perhaps be a politician, or an author, a scientist or an artist; not a diplomat. A diplomat must basically love life, love God's creatures — and especially the human animal — in order to bear his lot: the lot of a wanderer in a jealous and hostile world, with a suit-case full of memories. This is not the life for a misanthrope.

Shmuel Bentsur knew how to live. He gave the impression of a balanced bon-vivant, quiet and good-natured, radiating well-being, peace of mind and *joie de vivre*. These are qualities on which it is apparently not worth wasting rhymes. And yet it is good to know that there was a man like that, his outward appearance in consonance with his serene nature, a wise man, an upright and discreet man, loved by all who knew him. Shmuel Bentsur, Israeli diplomat from the birth of the State whom many in the foreign service see as an example to emulate.

Ze'ev Shek is a political adviser to the Foreign Minister.

J.B. Priestley sees own revival

LONDON (UPI). — J.B. Priestley is one of those fortunate men who has lived long enough to see his time come around again.

Priestley, who will be 80 in September, is still agile, still active, still writing the novels, essays and longer studies he has turned out with unfailing regularity since the 1920s.

Priestley gave a graceful curtain speech at a Mermaid Theatre revival last autumn of "An Inspector Calls," his 1945 play with a puzzling ending. He did the same thing the other night at the National Theatre's graceful 80th birthday tribute to Olivier's production of Priestley's "Eden End," the playwright's own favourite among his stage writings.

In all likelihood this Grand Old Man of letters will make yet another speech in June when a Broadway new musical opens — lyrics by Johnny Mercer, music by André Previn, with John Mills and Judi Dench as stars. It is based on "The Good Companions," which he wrote as a novel in 1929.

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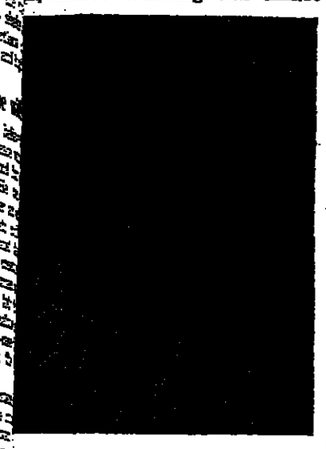
Bitten by 'Israel bug' and otherwise, tourists explain why they come

Story and drawings by Sarah Honig

HE tourist who comes to Israel is usually on a sentimental ney, but the sentiment is rarely -cut. It is generally a com- tion of sentiments — religious, onal, cultural or those of kin- The North American Jewish ist is not drawn to Israel by facilities it offers for holidays, certainly not by the prices. Except for its religious-histori- sites, this country could prob- successfully compete for the of 'Least Likely to Succeed in Tourist Trade'," Lennie Weisberg, all, athletic-looking 41-year-old ountant from Cincinnati, Ohio, is here on his seventh visit in years told *The Jerusalem Post*. country is, of course, the Land, but I don't think that nowadays come here merely of a religious motive, though it play a role," he says. "It's not a Catholic going to Rome or a alem making a pilgrimage to ca. I'm not securing a slice of after-world for myself by com- here. It has more to do with world and with my identity as Jew, although the funny thing is in this country a Jew can feel Jewish than in any other place the simple reason that he is ong his own kind and not some different."

Although he has been to Israel so m, Lennie Weisberg still cannot



LENNIE WEISBERG

cinctly explain why. During his t four visits, ever since he could ord it, he has been staying in e-star hotels with his wife and ee children. But what he enjoys st in Israel is strolling along city eets, "pretending to be a native," hough his neat, pastel-coloured rts shirt, carefully matched to d knit slacks, probably betray Yankee origins to most pas- sby.

"Years ago, I would have never agined myself walking around the eets of this city or even thinking out this part of the world, much s feeling so much for it," he ad- s. "I was an all-American kid l all the Jewish upbringing I had gan and ended with Bar Mitzva sons which were a pain in the k because they interfered with baseball practice. The fact that was Jewish was no more to me

MORLEY SCHWARTZ

than an accident of birth — like my blue eyes."

What changed all of this was a trip he took across Europe in 1958 "with an old buddy from the army, Craig Ryan. When we were in Turkey he suggested that we might as well take a look at Israel. He figured I'd want to see it in return for the fact that he had dragged me to Ireland. That was when I was bitten by the Israel bug," he relates and is quick to add that, thinking back on it, his attachment to Israel is very different from that of Irish or Italian-Americans to what they consider "the old country. Israel is an 'old country' in a far less tangible way but much more deeply so. I am not coming here to visit the town in which my grandparents were born and still I feel that Israel is a sort of a home to me. Craig did not see Ireland as his home at all. That is why the fact that Israel is such a magnet is so strange. I am obviously no sabra and yet I don't feel like a foreigner. I just feel good being here."

To him the biggest attraction Israel has to offer is "living Judaism, that is what makes Jewish life in this country so different from what it is in the U.S. Here Jews are not a minority and I get a kick out of seeing stores closed on Saturdays rather than Sundays and Passover being the big shopping holiday instead of Christmas. Jewish identity comes naturally here for kids and is not something problematical, that must be laboured on as it is in other countries," he explains, and says that "all this does something to me. Here I found that Judaism was a way of life and not a set of abstract ideas the meaning of which always evaded me. It may sound corny — but I find roots here."

The war and subsequent events did not effect his plans for a visit. "Coming here is something personal to me, and I don't love the place on condition that times be good here or business be booming or spirits high."

IT may be that when Morley Schwartz looks back on his stay in Israel a decade from now, he will find that it was for him much like what it was for Lennie Weisberg — a means to further his Jewish identity. But unlike Lennie, on his first visit, 21-year-old Morley from Montreal, Canada, arrived in Israel already consciously concerned with his Jewish identity. When I met him he had already been in Israel for three days. He was unsuccessfully trying to gather his shoulder-length hair into a pony tail while attempting to cope with his outsized dufflebag at the same time. He was leaving Tel Aviv and bound for Jerusalem.

"This trip is both for personal enlightenment and to express some identification with Israel. This is really a fledgling expression of my Jewish identification and I plan to learn more about it here so that I can deal with it intelligently," he said after giving up trying to clear his hair from his face. "I'll do it mostly by hitch-hiking around and trying to meet people. Maybe I'll also visit a kibbutz for a while. Also, if possible, I plan to attend some seminars. I heard that Yad Vashem was giving lectures on the holocaust and maybe I'll listen in on them too." Morley, who is a psychology major at the university, plans to take an elective course in Jewish studies now as well, "and the visit to Israel is sort of an introductory course."

"I sort of want to find out what Israel is really like. I got interested in it during the war. It bothered me a lot and I wasn't quite sure why. I was mildly negative about Israel before. Then at the beginning of the war I got shocked into realizing that there was a deep-down connection," he recalls. "Kids I knew were collecting funds and then I got involved in trying to organize a teach-in about Israel on campus. I met all sorts of interesting kids there and their identification was total. Israel was part of their life. My position was different mainly because I didn't have the background. We volunteered to pass out information and one result is that I am here to acquire more background."

But like many tourists of his generation, Morley's eyes are open for the bad no less than for the good and it is hard to tell which discoveries will delight him more.

He is certainly no romantically-inclined, starry-eyed tourist. Sordid reality would satisfy him no less than pretty sites and maybe even more. After three days here, he concluded that "this is a very interesting place, but it seems to have quite a few faults. I am fairly committed to becoming involved in Jewish life and I'd like to learn to appreciate it without ceasing to be critical."

A tourist like Morley does not have too easy a time here. "Not much provision is made for low-income tourists in Tel Aviv," he pointed out. "I don't have any relatives in this country and I stayed in a very dingy little hotel which was still not cheap. It's also hard to meet people here." He hoped things would be better in Jerusalem where he has heard of a youth hostel and where he has friends although he still has to locate them.

Financially, most tourists coming to Israel probably fall in a category that lies somewhere between Lennie Weisberg's ability to foot the bill for plush luxury hotel accommodation and Morley's almost vagabond existence. Not all, furthermore, are motivated to come here by Jewish identity considerations as are these two — or at least not consciously so. I met Jennie and Bernard Snyder at one of the smaller beach-front hotels. They also came here because they were Jewish but hardly because they were seeking answers to an identity-crisis. They were entirely free of any problem of the sort. When I asked what made them come at this time, the Snyders, retired New Yorkers now residing year-round in a Miami Beach ocean-front condominium apartment, were astounded.

"We came because everybody comes," explained Mr. Snyder, puffing on his cigar. "This year the wife and I decided we must get out to Israel or hang our heads in shame." Apparently visiting Israel has become somewhat of a status symbol in their social circle. "We decided to come because frankly all of our friends had already been (to Israel) and every time we meet for a game of cards or something the conversation always gets to Israel before the evening is over and we are the only ones left out, with no impressions and souvenirs or snapshots. Now no one will be able to look at me with surprise and ask: 'What, Bernie, you never been to Israel yet?' And I really love it here too. It's real *heimish*. A great place."

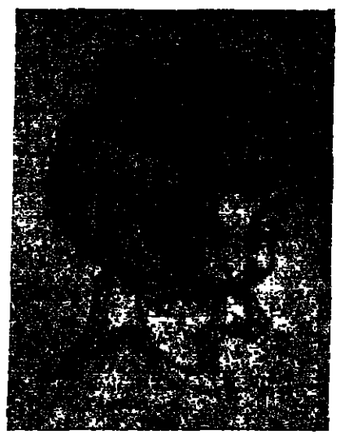
The Snyders keep comparing Israel with their own Miami. Mrs. Snyder pointed out that Miami sidewalks are much cleaner and she misses American-style kosher delicatessens. "But when you see the Wailing Wall you forget all that. It makes up for everything."

Mr. Snyder's complaints are of a different nature and he reproved his wife for "spending too much at the gift shops. And this country's no bargain basement — not like some of the places I been at in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.""

What bothers him most, however, is the fact that "all those tours don't give you a minute to rest up. They *schlep* you everywhere," he said throwing in a word of Yiddish. They drag you out at 5 a.m. and you ride that bus all day to see the archaeology here and other things. I always thought this was a tiny country, but no one would be able to sell me that line any more. This place is tremendous big. We keep travelling and travelling and the guide keeps saying there is still more of it. I'd really be able to tell the folks back home that I saw every inch of this country, except that we missed the Golan on account of the shooting."

Nevertheless, after two weeks of concentrated touring, the Snyders are happy and plan to tell their friends that "they simply must come out here again. We plan to." Mrs. Snyder says that the tense military situation ever since the war had worried them, but they decided to come anyway.

"If you people could take it for a quarter of a century, I guess I couldn't be in too much danger for three weeks. We figured you Israelis would be encouraged to see that people come here on tour and are not afraid," she says and continues as her husband nods in agreement: "After all, we are all Jews and if we don't stick together nobody is going to look out for us. Besides, when you see those Jewish soldiers you really feel so proud and very safe."



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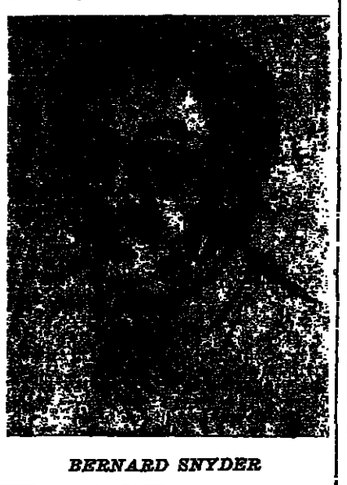

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EXPERT SAYS PAINTINGS ARE FAKES

Louvre embarrassed over Picasso's gift

By JOHN VINOCUR

PARIS (AP). — Pablo Picasso's remarkable private collection, donated by his family to the Louvre, has turned into a source of embarrassment for the Museum because art experts maintain that some of the paintings are only of minor interest and four are possible fakes.

The Museum has indefinitely put off the exhibition of the collection planned to coincide with the first anniversary of Picasso's death on April 8, 1973. The collection contains 44 canvases including some brilliant Cezannes and Matisses and other paintings signed Gaugin, Rousseau, Corot, Renoir, Lorrain and Courbet.

"The Louvre is terribly embarrassed," Ramond Cogniat, a critic and former French High Commissioner for Fine Arts, said in an interview.

"For the moment, I don't think they know what to do. It is the opinion of many experts, not just my own, that there are a number of doubtful works in the collection, doubtful in terms of artistic interest, doubtful in terms of authenticity."

Cogniat said the possible fakes were a tropical landscape with Gaugin's name on it, a Courbet, a Corot and a Lorrain. At least one Matisse, according to Cogniat, raised a number of questions about its authenticity.

Another art critic, Pierre Schneider, found that the collection included a Modigliani, a Rousseau, Renoirs and Matisses that fall considerably below the best work of these painters.

"Of course Picasso wasn't fooled," Cogniat said. "It's likely he knew that the Gauguin wasn't a real Gauguin, but that he kept it and liked it because there was a detail that appealed to him, a tone, or just a touch."

A spokesman for the Louvre, asked to comment on the reports about its problems with the collection, said "these reports don't come from us. They don't concern us and they are gratuitous."

The spokesman confirmed, however, that the Museum was unable to put on the Picasso exhibition as planned and said that no date could be advanced for when the collection might be shown to the public. The explanation given for the indefinite delay was that additional problems have arisen in relation to the Picasso inheritance.

Cogniat said he believed this this was an excuse to hide the Louvre's confusion because neither of the painter's two children, recognized since his death as legitimate heirs, have challenged the gift of the collection made by his wife, Jacqueline, and his eldest son, Paulo, in exchange for tax exemptions on the rest of the inheritance.

The Louvre's embarrassment apparently involves its vision of itself as the world's greatest museum, one which does not allow it to exhibit doubtful or mediocre works even if they are labelled as examples of the tastes of a great master. The conception of the Museum's role is regarded by many young curators and art historians as old-fashioned and unimaginative.

Cogniat himself has said that the kind of show which might offer Picasso's fine Cezannes and Matisses alongside what appear to be fakes might be a little bit too subtle for the Louvre's visitors.

The gift to the Louvre was made in accordance with Picasso's own wishes. His one condition was that the works not be split up and go on exhibition as the Picasso Collection in a single room of the Louvre.

No estimate has ever been made of the collection's value.

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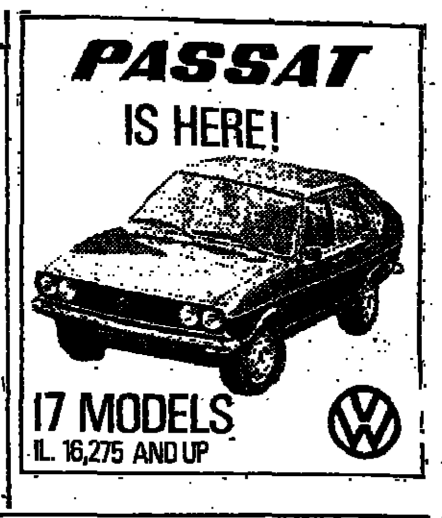

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...esharun Synagogue: Today: Minha, 5.55 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat, 6.10 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, ... a.m., Minha Gdola, 12.45 p.m. Minha, 5.25 p.m. ...t. 6.45.

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...est Ve'emuna (Rehov Narkiss 1): Tonight: 6.15 ... Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.15 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi ...rael Loewenstein Prof. Ernst Simon.

...talian Synagogue (Rehov Hillel): Tonight: ...ha, 5.55 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

...Chabad-Lubavich Synagogue (Rehov Chabad, Jewish Quarter, Old City): Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8.30 ... Kiddush following services.

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...Beit Knesset Mercazi, Talbieh: (14 Rehov ...vevei Zion, Talbieh): Tonight: 5.55 p.m.

...Har-El Synagogue (Progressive Judaism) 16 ...hov Shmuel Hanagid, near Bezalel Museum. ...night: Service, 6.00 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi A.C. ...oni. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m.

...Jewish Theological Seminary of America (Neve ...hechter, behind Israel Museum):: Tonight: Ser...e, 5.55 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8.30 a.m.

...Kehilat Mevakshei Derech: (14 Rehov Ibn ...rol). Shabbat Services: 9.00 a.m.

...ed Council of Synagogues (Conservative) at ...ited Synagogue of America Centre: Rehov Agron ...Tonight: Arvit, 5.45 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 ...m. Sermon: Rabbi Joshua Stampfer.

...Young Israel (26 Rehov Ben-Tzion, Givat Shaul). ...night: 5.55 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 6.10 p.m. ...morrow. Shahrit 8.00 a.m. Minha 5.25 p.m.

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TEL AVIV

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...Ihud Shivat Zion (Beit Hamore, Rehov Nathan ...kansu 5). Tonight: Minha, 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.00 a.m. Minha, 5.55 p.m.

Beit Haknesset Geulat Yisrael (Rehov Mercaz Ba'alei Melacha 16). Tonight: 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.

Kehilat Sinai (Conservative, B'nai Brit House, 10 Rehov Kaplan, corner Hamenafim). Tomorrow: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Rabbi Davis ...

Kedem Synagogue (Progressive Judaism, 20 Rehov Carlebach): Tonight: 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Moshe Zemer.

Kehilat Ramat Aviv (Progressive Judaism: Jacob-Efter Hall, Peretz Naphtali Bldg. T.A. University): Tonight 6.00 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Ady Assabi. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m.

RAMAT GAN

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Emeth Ve'amuna Congregation (Progressive Judaism): 57 Derech Jabotinsky. Friday: 6 p.m. Saturday: 9.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi T. Ben-Shorin.

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KFAR SABA

Hamlnyan Hahadash (Shechunat Eliezer). Tonight: 6.10 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

PETAH TIKVA

Young Israel (Ramat Werber School Rehov Anderson). Tonight: 6.05 p.m. Tomorrow: Talmud: 7.00 a.m. Services: 8.00 a.m.

KIRON

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KFAR SHMARYAHU

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HERZLIYA

Young Israel (Hotel Hed, Rehov Hanassi). Tonight: 6.05 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

NETANYA

Beth Yisrael (Conservative) (13 Rehov Rav Kook). Tonight: 5.15 p.m. Tomorrow: 9.00 a.m.

Netanya Progressive Congregation — (16 Rehov Smilansky). Tonight: 5.45 p.m.

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HAIFA

Moriah Congregation (7 Rehov Horeb), Ahuza. Tonight: 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Charles Siegel.

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REHOVOT

Adat Shalom Synagogue (Conservative) (B'nai Brit Hall, 183b Rehov Herzl). Tonight: 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 8.30 a.m. Sermons: Rabbi Meir Ydit.

ASHKELON

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Immanuel Lutheran Church (Rehov Eilat behind Old Law Court, Tel Aviv). Saturday: 11.00 a.m.

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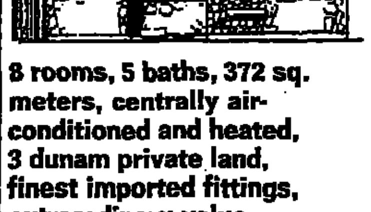

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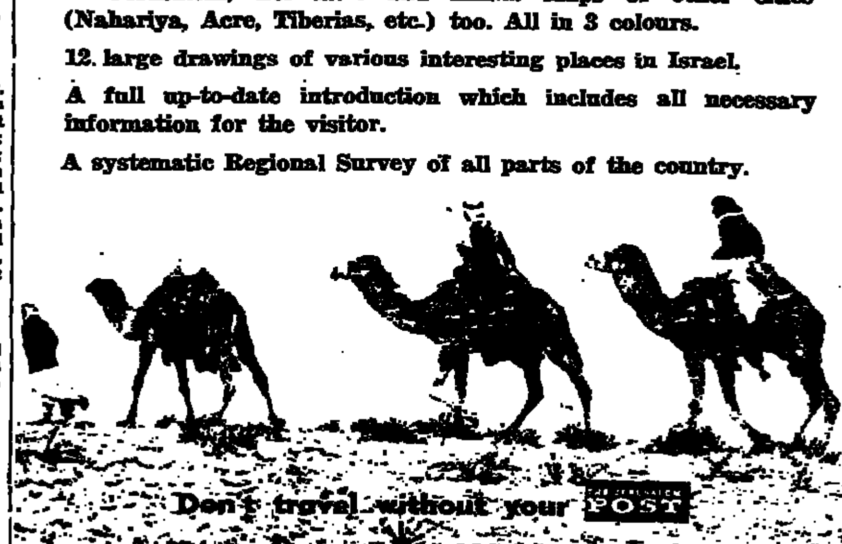

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"This seems to be a clear indication that we are in a recession," said John J. Smith at Fahnestock and Co. "And if we are, short term interest rates are going to come down."

The recent rise of short term rates has been cited as a major source of the market's weakness since mid-March.

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Investment incentives may be increased next year — Bar-Lev

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

The incentives granted to industrial investments are likely to be increased, not curtailed, when the Law for Encouragement of Capital Investments comes up for review next year, said Minister of Commerce and Industry Haim Bar-Lev at a press conference on Wednesday.

The incentives may be modified, however, e.g. a bigger grant replacing the unlinked long-term loans currently provided for approved enterprises. Also the criteria for getting the incentives may be modified, in particular by making them more dependent on export performance, Mr. Bar-Lev said. Currently the "approved" status is, as a rule, granted only upon a commitment to export a certain part of output, but the company has no incentive to go beyond that minimum limit.

Mr. Bar-Lev lashed out against demands to discontinue government subsidies to industrial investments. If they were removed altogether, these investments may drop to IL100m. a year, just a few per cent of the current volume which is less than what is required for the economy's solid growth, he said.

Industrial investments — whether by low interest loans, capital grants or tax concessions — are usual in many countries, including some richer and more advanced than Israel, and the subsidies given here are in no way excessive when compared with those abroad, the Minister said. Also, industry is not alone in being subsidized he pointed out.

Upping the rate of interest charged on development loans from nine per cent, to say 13, would adversely affect industrial growth and replacement of obsolete equipment, but would not do much to reduce inflationary pressure, because the saving involved would not exceed a few score million pounds, he said.

Mr. Bar-Lev envisaged rising prices on manufactured products for the rest of this year due to swollen costs of imported raw materials and rising home demand. He noted that world commodity prices soared 65 per cent in the past year, and are unlikely to drop substantially before 1975. (By then the effects of good harvests expected this year and a reduced demand for raw materials due to econmic recession may make itself felt.)

Imports account for 40 to 50 per cent of Israel's industrial costs and manufacturers will therefore have no choice but to adjust their prices, he said. On the other hand, local purchasing power has recovered rapidly after the war, and is likely to grow further when the tax-free C-o-L allowance will be paid in July, and when wage agreements are renegotiated, also adding to employees' disposable income.

While price control will be maintained, it will be largely applied in order to prevent profiteering based on monopoly or on tariff protection, Mr. Bar-Lev said.

Buyers' market in Lilienblum

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Lilienblum Street became a definite buyers' market yesterday, with sellers disposing of their "goods" at falling prices, or taking the "goods" home in the hope that the black market would improve.

Small dollar cheques brought only IL4.20 per dollar — the official bank rate, but there was a small difference. Most banks pay the customers only after the cheque has cleared the bank in America; in Lillienblum Street the dealers pay cash on the spot. Large cheques brought IL4.50 per dollar.

Othe prices were: $100 banknotes, IL4.75, down five agorot; smaller banknotes, IL4.70, down five agorot; French franc, IL0.92 down one agora; Dutch florin, IL1.60, down five agorot; sterling, IL11.00, down 30 agorot; sovereigns, IL245, down IL15; a kilo of gold, IL26,000, down IL800; a kilo of silver, IL860, down IL10; three-piece anniversary set, IL4,100, down IL100; two-piece set, IL1,400, down IL50; and platinum coin, IL1,900, down IL100.

Only the DM and Swiss franc remained at their previous levels, IL1.78 and IL1.45 respectively.

Farmers planting less tobacco

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Farmers are planting less tobacco this year — about 12,000 dunams compared to 14,000 dunams last year and about 40,000 dunams in 1966. This was announced by the Ministry of Agriculture spokesman yesterday.

The drop came about, he said, because the smoking tastes of Israelis have changed: more and more Israelis are smoking American blends, instead of Turkish ones grown here.

In 1973, Israelis smoked 250 million packs of locally made cigarettes, compared to 220 million in 1972. The number is expected to increase to 280 million this year. Israelis are also smoking more imported cigarettes, 20 million packs in 1973, compared to 17 million in 1972.

The Ministry of Agriculture and the Dubek Cigarette Company are continuing experiments, still in very early stages, to try and grow Virginia and burley-type tobacco here.

The executive director of Dubek, Zerach Gehl, told *The Jerusalem Post* that there seemed to be the best possibility for success with the burley-type tobacco.

Mr. Gehl said his company is also going ahead with its plans to introduce in the near future an artificial-tobacco cigarette.

Industrial Financing involved in 65 businesses

TEL AVIV. — The Industrial Financing Company is now involved in 65 enterprises and invested some IL63.6m. in various factories during 1973 — Dr. Zvi Dinstein, chairman of the Industrial Development Bank, which owns the company, told a press conference here on Wednesday.

Dr. Dinstein noted that the Industrial Financing Company, which was Government-owned until the Industrial Development Bank took it over two years ago, is performing a vital public service by enabling fundamentally secure enterprises to get over financial difficulties by purchasing 15-20 per cent of their shares. In this way, Dr. Dinstein said, the controlling interest remains in the hands of the owner who can repurchase the shares within five years if his financial position permits.

He told the press conference that the company's balance-sheet for 1973 stood at IL72m., with before-tax profits of IL1.6m. (Itim)

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U.S. and Common Market spar in 'offal skirmish'

By RICHARD C. LONGWORTH

BRUSSELS (UPI). — You saw "the Great Chicken War." You thrilled to "the International Carpet Caper."

Now make way for "the Awful Offal Skirmish," the latest trade tempest to sour relations between the U.S. and the European Common Market.

Diplomats from both sides have spent more than a year in Geneva trying to sort it out, with no result. Already it has affected the U.S. administration's trade bill in Congress and embittered preparations for the "Nixon round" of world trade talks.

The skirmish began back in January, 1973, when the Common Market expanded from six to nine nations with the addition of Britain, Ireland and Denmark.

The U.S. did about $3,000m. worth of trade each year with these three nations — especially Britain — and enjoyed favourable tariffs on many exports it sent to them.

But when the three joined the Common Market, they were forced to begin raising many of their tariffs, particularly on farm goods, to match those which the other six nations already raised against the outside world.

Compensation

The U.S. claimed that the tariff increases cut into about one-third of its trade, or about a billion dollars worth, with the three nations. It demanded compensation from the Europeans.

The Europeans at first refused any compensation at all. They argued that tariffs against U.S. farm exports to Britain, Ireland and Denmark may have gone up, but tariffs against American industrial exports were going down, and the two balanced each other off.

The U.S. rejected this. The Europeans came up with minimal concessions. The U.S. rejected this again and threatened to retaliate — that is, to raise tariffs against an equivalent amount of European exports. New demands have been formally presented to the Europeans, who are considering improving their last proposal — which they earlier called a "final offer."

Both sides have kept their exact negotiating stands secret. But it is known that the U.S. wants a better deal for its exports of offal, or waste animal innards, plus such items as oranges, tobacco, sensitized films, kraftliner cardboard and certain kinds of tractors.

It all reminds diplomats here of the "Chicken War," which raged for some 18 months a decade ago after the Common Market tripled its duties on the import of American chickens. The issue went to international arbiters, who set U.S. damage at $26m. The U.S. upped its duties on $26m. worth of European brandy, trucks, dextrine and potato starch and the war ended.

At about the same time, the U.S. raised its tariffs on imports of European wilton and velvet carpets and on sheet glass.

The Common Market retaliated by increasing duties on some American synthetic fibres. The increased U.S. tariffs expired at the end of 1972, 10 years later, and the Europeans dropped their retaliation at the same time.

In each case, the total sum involved was a drop in the $24,000m. bucket of annual U.S.-European trade. Even in the current dispute, the U.S. says the European acts only "affect" a billion dollars of U.S. exports — not that it is actually costing America a billion dollars annually.

William Eberle, President Nixon's chief trade negotiator, flew here secretly last month to warn Common Market officials that American patience was wearing thin and that retaliation loomed. Earlier, Eberle told a newspaper that Washington would begin retaliatory procedure by March 10 — a deadline he let slip by without action.

Apart from the actual damage, the U.S. claims a basic principle is involved. Many of the tariffs in question were "bound," or firmly fixed, and Washington says a solemn agreement was broken when they were raised.

Lesson in oil for copper countries

LIMA (Reuter). — General Jorge Fernandez Maldonado, the Peruvian Minister for Mines and Energy, said on Wednesday that copper producing countries wanted to follow the example of oil producers in achieving fair prices for their exports.

General Fernandez Maldonado was talking to reporters before leaving for Caracas and then touring several Arab countries.

He said that in Caracas he would co-ordinate cooperation between the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) and the Inter-Governmental Committee of Copper Exporting Countries (ICCEC) aimed primarily at fixing copper prices.

"This measure is aimed at fighting the speculative markets in copper prices like London and New York," the general said.

CEMENT IMPORTERS will be given an IL110 per ton subsidy by the Commerce and Industry Ministry, for imports to be sold at the fixed price, the Ministry decided this week, after it became evident that local production will fall short of demand by some 200,000 tons this year.

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'A rather grey affair'

URI Segal, one of our successful young roving conductors, is home on a visit to conduct the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra (The Jerusalem Theatre — April 16).

Bach's Suite No. 1 was given a workmanlike reading, as was the following Concerto for Cello and Orchestra by Paul Ben-Haim. Uzi Wiesel played the solo part with dedicated seriousness and, as was to be expected, met all the technical and musical demands to full satisfaction. Apart from some solo cadenzas, the part is closely integrated in the web of the orchestra score, so that close cooperation with conductor and orchestra is essential for a convincing performance. This was gracefully achieved by all concerned, and Ben-Haim's work received an authoritative execution.

The insertion of Purcell's Funeral March and Canzona, scored for two trumpets, two trombones and drums, made a good contrast and provided an interesting flash-back into the 17th century.

As a finale, Bartok's Concerto for Orchestra gave the various sections of the orchestra the opportunity to show their individual and group qualities. It was a clean and proficient performance, but many accents, inflections, colours and contrasts were untouched, as Uri Segal does not encourage or demand a more individual interpretation. The under-playing of, or rather lack of attention to, the fine details which put life and interest into a performance, made it a rather grey affair. Clean workmanship has to be brightened by personal touches and active drive if the musical performance is to be worth its while.

Soloists in Magnificat

In the review of Bach's Magnificat (IPO—Stanley Sperber conducting — April 15) the following paragraph was inadvertently omitted:

The soloists were probably the best available but far from what was required. Lucia Popp was the best of them, though her soprano has a slight tendency to sharpness of timbre. Emile Berendsen's mezzo-soprano is cultured and pleasant but limited in volume and was often inaudible, especially in the duet with tenor Menashe Hadjes, whose uniform *forte* drowned her completely. Willy Haparnass has a pleasant lyric baritone, but the part is written for a bass and the quartet really needs a deeper foundation.

Y. B.

'Body language here influenced by Hebrew'

By DORA SOWDEN

ONE of Israel's most original dancers will shortly give her annual summer series of lecture-demonstrations for kibbutzim.

She is Debora Bertonoff, daughter of the famous Habimah actor, the late Yehoshua Bertonoff, and she has in her own way pioneered a new approach to dance education. "There can be education *through* dance," she has said, "as well as education *for* dance. Not everyone who learns to dance has to become a dancer but all can learn to understand the languages of the body better."

Deborah Bertonoff on stage.

Born in Russia, Deborah Bertonoff began to study dance at the Bolshoi in Moscow, then moved to Berlin where she studied modern dance with Mary Wigman and percussion with Carl Orff. The teacher who influenced her most, however, was Kurt Jooss, whose pupil she became at Dartington Hall in England. She was among those he chose (Antony Tudor was another) to appear in his "Summer School for Contemporary Dance" in 1960. Two years later, she gave solo performances in Paris, Rome, Zurich, Amsterdam and London. Yet her real work began when she returned to teach in Israel.

Dance anthropology

By then, under a grant from UNESCO, she had been to Ghana and to India to study their dance forms and sources of dance spirit by contrast and comparison. She wrote two books—"Dance Towards the Earth" about African dance (translated into English, 1963) and "Dance Towards the Horizon" about Indian dance, in Hebrew. "Ballet has its own laws of body movement in every country," she has explained, and she calls this tradition "dance anthropology." She illustrates how Africans tend to dance "towards the earth" and how in India the tendency is to move body and limbs, even neck sideways "towards the horizon."

About Israeli dancers she has said: "They have sabra bodies — not classical. In dance they present themselves. They dance about themselves. They do not go into a trance like negroes or communicate like Indians. They always want to give a performance, preferably as soloists. Israelis are not an ecstatic people. They do not become unconscious of their bodies, as dancers do in Ghana. The sabra generation has nothing to do with the Hassidic soul. The Israeli mind is very real. The dancers develop cool, technical skill."

Then, however, said Deborah Bertonoff, came Batsheva de Rothschild. "Gertrud Kraus, Yehudit Ornstein and I — we did a little, but Batsheva de Rothschild made a revolution," she told me. Modern dance styles have proved more suited to the Israeli temperament. They came nearer to the root and purpose of Israeli body-thinking.

Yet Deborah Bertonoff does not believe that performance is more than an "end product" of dance. "She has developed theories on the dynamics of dance. "Body language can be as important as speech" she has declared, "and there are as many body languages as there are states of mind, climates, geographical differences."

In Israel, "the body language is influenced by the Hebrew language but there is not enough work done here on the connection between speech and body movements. This is a young country and people do not yet see the importance of an institution to research and discover what is and should be sabra dance."

Nevertheless, Deborah Bertonoff has words of praise too — especially for the kibbutzim. "They are always waiting for such things," she said. Even the kibbutzim are influenced by the stage, she admitted and wished to show quick results. "Dance should be 99 per cent work and one per cent performance. Dance education should be more for seeking out our dance than for the stage," she said.

The story of dance in Israel cannot be told without mention of Gertrud Kraus, Yehudit Ornstein, the late Rina Nikova or without Mia Arbatova or even Lia Schubert. Before Batsheva de Rothschild established the Batsheva and Bat-Dor companies there was Gurit Gadman, who was instrumental in preserving Jewish folk dance and encouraging its popularity, Sara Levi-Tanai and her Yemenite Dance Theatre, and Noa Eshkol, who created a new notation and body style — and many more.

Perhaps, however, what Deborah Bertonoff has brought to "dance education" has an entirely new element that makes Holon, where she works, a new centre for dance.

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Police rise to the test

THE remarkable decline in crime in Israel last year as revealed in the annual police report this week is a tribute to a police force whose work is often overshadowed by more dramatic events on the country's borders.

Despite a severe manpower shortage, the police were largely responsible for the fact that crime went down by more than *eight per cent even though the* population increased by 3.2 per cent. Banks, petrol stations and diamond exchanges which were such tempting targets to robbers a few years ago have now been equipped with alarm systems and other devices installed at police insistence. More efficient organization, increased patrolling and a strong intelligence arm also helped account for the decline. While fewer crimes were committed, more were solved thanks in part to the increased use of modern technology in crime detection.

As Police Inspector General Shaul Rosolio notes in an interview in the *Jerusalem Post* magazine today, the police have managed to stay a step ahead even though criminals improve their methods.

The creation of special investigation teams to handle specific crimes proved very successful, whether in solving major thefts at Ashdod Port or apprehending a gang specializing in stealing car radios.

Tel Aviv, which had been the focus of crime in the country, saw criminal activity decline by 22 per cent in the nine months preceding the Yom Kippur War thanks to a concentrated police drive which included the use of a border police unit. The bulk of the border police was employed along the country's borders and in the occupied territories.

Apart from crime, last year was one of the most taxing the Israel Police have ever experienced. It was an *election year* and Israel's 25th anniversary, occasions which demanded great organizational efforts for the maintenance of public order. It was also the year of the Yom Kippur War.

During the conflict it fell upon the police to cope with internal security problems of major dimensions and to provide the home front with a sense of reassurance that was sorely needed. They did their job magnificently. In the outlying neighbourhoods of Jerusalem, for instance, where most of the men were away at war, it was mainly the police presence that sustained the spirits of the women and children left behind.

Today the police face new challenges. As after every war, crime is on the upswing. In addition, terrorist groups are renewing their attempts to strike at population centres. Terrorist cells have been uprooted every time they made similar attempts in the past and undoubtedly will be again. But the police's burden will be considerably eased by public vigilance and the knowledge that the public is appreciative of their efforts.

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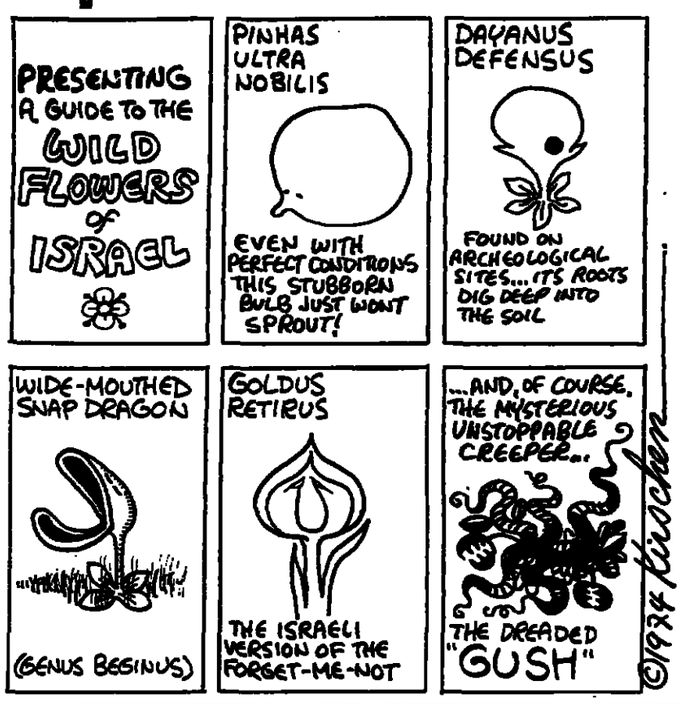

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More acts of terror likely

Ha'aretz (non-party) warns against concentrating all efforts at protection against terrorism on Kiryat Shmona. "One must keep a sense of proportion, even after such a tragedy. A massacre similar to that in Kiryat Shmona could have happened anywhere else in the country. The problem affects the whole country." Quoting the Defence Minister's remark in the Knesset that it is impossible for the army to protect every individual in the country, the paper asks who will guard the cease-fire lines in the north and south if the IDF is to be turned into an army of bodyguards?" The real danger comes from the regular armies of the Arab states and the assistance they are receiving from the USSR. This is where the main efforts of the IDF must lie. Citizens of other states are learning to live with terrorism similar to that of the Arabs. It has become a world-wide phenomenon but in other countries as in Israel, it remains a marginal one."

Davar (Histadrut) warns that more acts of terrorism should be expected. The Kiryat Shmona massacre was perpetrated by a small organization. The major terrorist organizations may be encouraged by it, and by the praise in the Arab media to go into action. "There is tacit agreement between the Arab states and the terrorist organizations concerning the need to step up their activities inside Israel. But sabotage attempts will not necessarily be confined to Israel and may extend to Israeli targets abroad."

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'They feel the whole world has forgotten them'

The nightmare of Syrian Jews

By Judy Siegel
Jerusalem Post Reporter

GUN-SLINGING secret police thunder on doors at midnight and pull back the blankets from sleeping children to make sure theyre still there. Grown men, barred from most occupations, are shamed into feeding and clothing their families with handouts. Communication by mail, telephone and radio is strictly forbidden, and anyone caught without his red-banded identification card is locked into jail as a spy.

It sounds like a paranoid's nightmare that leaves him dry-*mouthed and trembling with fear*, or some bizarre novel by George Orwell. But it is reality for most of the 3,500 Jews of Damascus, Aleppo and Qamishli, a tragic remnant of a once-thriving and cultured community in Syria.

"Their plight is more serious than that of any other Jewish population in the world, but few people seem to be upset by it," observes Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohn, who has chaired the Israel Committee for the Rescue of Jews in Arab Lands since 1970. "Perhaps they're just unaware of how grave the problem is or think the number of Jews in Syria is insignificant compared with the millions who are oppressed elsewhere."

Yehuda Pinhasi, a member of Justice Cohn's committee, left the Syria-Turkish border town of Qamishli in 1942. Although he was only eight years old when he ar*rived in Israel, memories of the* people and the suffering he left behind are seared into his consciousness, and he is still in contact with Jews who followed him here. "He thinks about them and what can be done all the time," says Esther, his Jerusalem-born wife.

"Many Jews came to Qamishli from Turkey when the Ottoman Empire broke up after World War I," says Mr. Pinhasi. The French took over Syria, and, attracted by their fairly enlightened policies, the Jews set out to build a new life. They prospered in business, agriculture and the professions, and began to feel comfortable and secure in their adopted home."

After the joint war-time Anglo-French occupation from 1941-46, Syria gained its independence, and the Arab governments instituted a long series of restrictions that are now tightening like a noose around the necks of the Jews who are forced to remain.

Surveillance

They live in tumbledown ghettoes, their doors opening into large interior courtyards where terrorists and police keep them under 24-hour surveillance. "After the Six Day War," recalls Mr. Pinhasi, "an old man was arrested when the police saw the flickering flame of his Sabbath oil lamps through the window. They beat him mercilessly to death, claiming that the light was a coded signal to Jews in Israel."

To stray more than four kilometres from home is borbidden, and their identity cards, marked "Mousawi' (meaning follower of Moses), are checked vigilantly wherever they go. No one without special permission may leave the house after the 6 p.m. curfew, which the Syrians say was introduced merely for the residents' own protection. The authorities no longer allow more than four Jews to assemble at any one time in order to prevent a "conspiracy against the State."

Most of the families have been

JUSTICE HAIM COHN

reduced to grinding poverty by strict economic limitations. Jews may not sell their homes, work in foreign trade, government services or public corporations, or borrow money from a bank. Syrian soldiers and government *workers are prohibited from* buying in Jewish shops, which are prominently labelled and listed for public information. After death, their property is confiscated for use by the government and Palestine terrorist organizations. A few families, however, are permitted to operate shops outside the ghetto, where foreign visitors are taken to display the government's "benevolent protection" of the Jews.

"They get meagre allowances of about IL10-20 per person per month from funds like Keren Yitzhak Shalom, named for the late Syrian-born American philanthropist," says Mr. Pinhasi. "But they still live below subsistence level. The 'rich' have more than dry bread to eat and unpatched clothes to wear, while the 'poor' can't boast even these luxuries."

Those who become seriously ill are condemned to almost certain death, since the cost of medicine is exorbitant and the number of Jewish doctors small. The signs of senescence line the faces of the still-young, and the middle-aged look ancient.

Excluded from the universities, alomst hermetically sealed off from the outside, and subject to more indoctrination than education from Moslem teachers, young Jews have become an ignorant and simple-minded generation, unconscious of the modern world's developments and their own heritage. Most still cling to their religious beliefs and ritual, although religious studies and the teaching of Hebrew are almost non-existent.

"Qamishli has one 80-year-old man who serves as rabbi, *mohel* and *shochet*," says Mr. Pinhasi, "and when he's gone, there'll be no one to replace him. The town's synagogue, half of which is occupied by a warehouse and canteen for the Syrian army, is under constant watch. The police must grant permission for funerals at the Jewish cemetery, and they accompany the mourners with heavy arms to make sure that no one tries to cross the Turkish border and escape."

Young and prolific

As unbearable as their situation is, it might seem less tragic if the population were an aged remant destined soon to die out. But they are young and prolific, with the boys and girls marrying between 15 to 17 and producing 10 children by the time they reach 30.

"With little hope of improving their lot, or escaping to Israel, they fe as if the whole world has forgott and abandoned them," asserts M Pinhasi, "and that they have bee innocently doomed to destruction."

Reports that two young Jews Yosef Shalah and Azur Zalta — a being tried in secret for the murd of four Jewish women near t Lebanese border have heighten fears of a stepped-up campai against the community. "Zalta is relative of one of the victims, a the callous attempt to blame t crime on him is a judicial murc and a vile blood libel," says Just Cohn. "The Syrians charge that accused are a band of smuggl preying on their own people, a they're prosecuting them to 'pro that the Jews are responsible their own suffering. I'll stake reputation that the two men innocent."

Justice Cohn's committee is of a dozen throughout the f world aimed at influencing politi leaders and diplomats and mobil ing public opinion on the plight Jews in Arab lands. The Americ branch is headed by General (re *Lucius Clay and the French* Acting President Alain Poher. T have had some success, but Just Cohn says that there is a criti need for a public outcry at t time, while the trial goes on a the possibility of negotiations tween Israel and Syria still exist

"But why don't the Syrians rid of their headache and just the Jews leave?" I ask.

"They may want the Jews scapegoats or as a ransom for rian prisoners in Israel. May they're just afraid that if the Je go free, the whole world will kn the barbarity of their rule fr witnesses who have experienced first-hand."

Kissinger may have signalled move toward Rockefeller camp

By Shlomo Slonim

METTERNICH, about whose diplomacy at the 1815 Congress of Vienna Henry Kissinger wrote a definitive study, was a diplomat who *calculated everything in political* terms. It is even reported that when one of the participants at the Congress of Vienna died, Metternich expressed surprise: "I wonder *what his motive was!*"

Without assuming that Kissinger's recent marriage needs to be scrutinized for political motives, there is little doubt that the *announcement* of the wedding by former Governor Nelson Rockefeller of New York certainly has political implications. The event was not announced by either President Nixon or the State Department, who would have thereby explained the "occasion" for Kissinger's 10-day absence from Washington on holiday. Instead, word of the forthcoming marriage was publicly delivered by Governor Rockefeller during a political speech at a Republican gathering assembled to consider forthcoming party strategy. This, together with the fact that it was revealed that Kissinger had flown to Mexico for his honeymoon on Rockefeller's private plane, denoted very clearly that Kissinger had, in effect, returned to the Rockefeller camp in promoting the latter's search for the Republican presidential nomination.

It will be recalled that Kissinger, in 1968, while still a Professor of Government at Harvard, was Rockefeller's adviser on international affairs, during the latter's race to win the Republican party nomination for the Presidency. In this role, Kissinger had drafted several key position-papers which outlined proposals for a "new" foreign policy for the United States, including a suggestion for opening the door to China and the institution of a fresh relationship of detente with the Soviet Union.

Rockefeller's efforts to win the nomination failed, however, and Kissinger returned to his teaching and writing at Harvard. But after Nixon was elected President in November 1968 he decided, upon Rockefeller's recommendation, to meet Kissinger. After two lengthy sessions together Nixon made the surprise announcement that he had offered Kissinger the position of Adviser to the Pre*sident on National Security Affairs.* It was surprising since Nixon's outlook on international affairs was regarded as too conservative, and Kissinger's as too liberal, for a truly effective partnership. Nevertheless this "marriage of convenience" chalked up considerable successes for the United States in the international relations field.

But now, Nixon, whatever else he may be, is a lameduck President. Constitutionally, he cannot run for a third term in any case and is only interested in serving out the remainder of his second term. Moreover, the Watergate episode has so damaged Nixon's prestige that even if he should succeed in completing his term of office, he will be quite unable to wield any real weight in designating a successor. It is quite obvious already that the Republican race is an open one, without any sure successor in sight.

It is in these circumstances that Nelson Rockefeller some two months ago announced his resignation from the office of Governor of New York State. He did not state his intentions, but they were clear enough — to devote all his energies between now and November 1976, first, to winning the Republican nomination, and second, to winning the Presidential election.

It is hardly surprising that in all this political manoeuvring Kissinger has started out in search of a new master. (A new wife he now has, and President of the United States he cannot be since he is not a born American.) The affinity in ideological outlook between him and Rockefeller has, naturally enough, brought these two together again. But on this occasion it is Kissinger who is lending weight and prestige to the Rockefeller campaign.

Perhaps this is the most remarkable aspect of the whole affair — that a foreign policy adviser and subsequently, Secretary of State, should be something of a kingmaker — at least for the Republican nomination. This, no doubt, is a tribute to the outstanding success which Kissinger has scored in recent years in his foreign policy. His *further influence, therefore, will also* depend on the measure of success of failure he attains during the balance of the Nixon tenure.

But Kissinger's calculated move, at this early stage, into the Rockefeller camp can also boomerang. If Nixon is impeached and Ford succeeds to the Presidency, it can be expected that the new President will select his own Secretary of State. Ford will then be the front-runner for the Republican nomination, and it is not likely that he will provide a Rockefeller supporter with the ready forum of the Department of State from which to operate. In such a case, however, it is unlikely that Kissinger would wait until Nixon was actually impeached. More that likely he would resign earlier and announce that he is devoting himself to promoting the Rockefeller candidacy.

At any event, the manner of making Kissinger's wedding announcement must be seen as one of the opening shots in the creation of a new alliance aimed at capturing the Republican nomination for 1976 and ultimately the presidency. This is perhaps the first time in recent history, since the decline of monarchist rule, that the announcement of a marriage has been endowed with significant political implications.

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READERS' LETTERS

'Political move on Golda's part'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Whatever criticisms may have been levelled against Mrs. Meir in the past, no one has ever denied that she is a very astute politician — and she has just proved this anew.

A few seconds before the twelfth hour, with her coalition in disarray, with protest demonstrations all over the country, with a motion of no confidence imminent, she played her master-stroke: she resigned, a step which automatically meant the resignation of her whole cabinet, thus transforming her tottering machine into a caretaker government which will remain in power until a new government is formed.

In the meantime, Mrs. Meir is back in the saddle, and more firmly than before. She and her cabinet are empowered to make decisions, conduct negotiations, and sign agreements committing the State to a course of action that will remain binding upon the people long after she has gone. But... the people can do nothing.

You can't demand the resignation of a government which has already resigned, and by the same token, you can't pass a vote of no confidence in a caretaker government.

Thus Mrs. Meir has again shown proof of her political acumen.

R. KIRSON

Herzliya, April 12.

POOR QUALITY OF MATCHES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — To whom can we complain about the poor quality of matches? The striking surface is useless after four or five uses and the match-heads fall off at the first touch because of their microscopic size.

G. FREYMANN

Jerusalem, April 14.

DAYAN FOR PRIME MINISTER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I would like to propose Moshe Dayan for Prime Minister because he is well liked in Israel, he knows all the tricks to keep the Arabs at bay, and he is known all over the world.

EDMUND ERIKSEN

Haifa, April 14.

POSTSCRIPTS

THE massacre at Kiryat Shmona took place on Thursday, April 11.

It could not have been by mere coincidence that the Personal Column of the London "Times" of Wednesday, April 10, should have carried identically worded unidentified announcements in memory of top Fatah leaders killed by Israeli commandos in a daring raid on Beirut a year before. The raid followed the rising wave of terror launched from the Lebanon in March-April 1973.

The persons mentioned are Kamal Adwan, Mohammed Najjar and his wife Carla Morelli, and Kamal Nasser. Najjar, code-named Abu Youssef, had allegedly masterminded the Munich Olympics slaughter. Carla Morelli lived in the same block of flats as the Fatah leaders and she died as the result of a wall collapsing on her.

In each case, the announcement read:

"In loving memory of . . . killed in his home in Beirut by agents under the control of the Israeli Government on April 10, 1973. Palestine will live."

Kamal Nasser, who was the official spokesman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, has a second "In Memoriam," noting that he was "formerly of Bir Zeit, near Ramallah. Beloved Palestinian poet and statesman. 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God'."

A further announcement in the same column read as follows:

DEIR YASIN, PALESTINE — In the sad memory of the 254 Arab men, women and children of the village of Deir Yasin, near Jerusalem, killed by Zionist agents on April 9, 1948. Innocent victims of a great injustice."

In none of these announcements is there any mention of the names of the persons or organizations who inserted them.

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WHAT a pity that Erich Weiss died long before the invention of television. His extraordinary feats would have had an even wider audience and out-Gellered Uri Geller.

Better known as "The Great Houdini," Weiss was born 100 years ago this month, a few weeks after his parents had arrived in the United States from Hungary. His father was a rabbi and hardly earned enough to support his family in their new country. Young Erich fell *under the spell of circus life while* still a child and chose to specialize in escaping from instruments of restraint. He became such a master of freeing himself from handcuffs and leg-irons that many people, including Sir Arthur Conan Doyle according to Gemini News Service were convinced that he had sup natural powers. But Houdini sisted that all his feats of leg demain were performed entirely physical means and he was much the showman to reveal a of his tricks. What he did adm was that many of his widely pu licized escapes were managed through a combination of hard-w expertise and modest acts of dece tion. But how *did* he make an e phant disappear before an audien of thousands and how *did* he wa through brick walls?

Perhaps Uri Geller can make guess.

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BELIEVE it or not. This wee we suddenly received an air-ma copy of the International Ne York Herald Tribune of Pari Years ago my wife's cousin a ranged for us to receive the pape regularly but that was a long tim ago.

"How nice of my cousin to thin of us again," my wife said.

I opened the paper. The bann headline read: "Eisenhower Is Dead The paper had taken exactly fi years to reach us.

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SOME nations have it easier th others. The apparently insolul problem of "Who is a Jew" is like to bedevil us in Israel soon.

How much simpler to be a Fi An early Finnish patriot stat quite baldly that a Finn is a Fi if he speaks Finnish.

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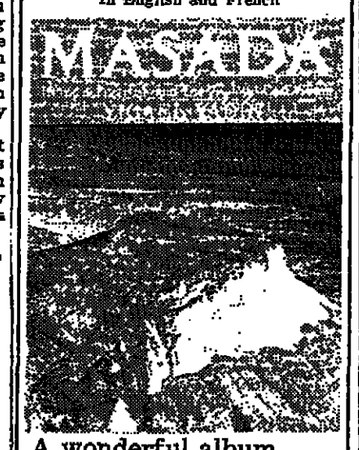

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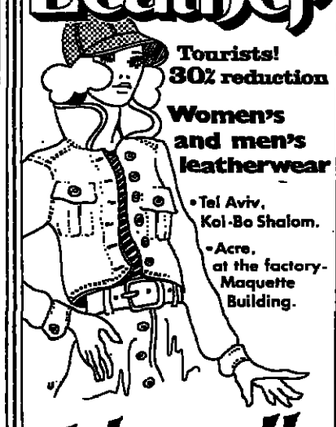

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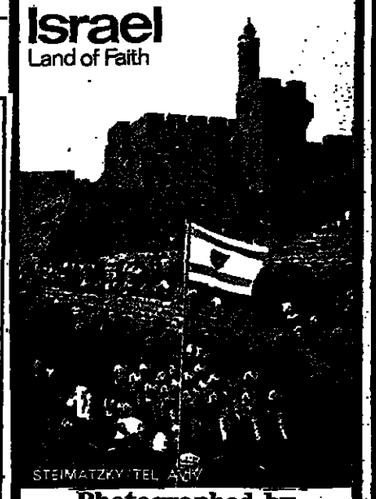

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